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Declaration By Bonn Professors

DEFINITE STAND TAKEN ON EVANGELISM

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.
In an attempt to bridge the theological schisms which threaten the life of the church in Germany, according to a semi-official news agency, all the ordinarius professors of the faculty of Evangelism and Theology in the University of Bonn have signed the following declaration:

"We recognise the holy scriptures as the only writings affording a rule and guide for belief. We conform with the profession of faith in the proclamation of the German Evangelical Church of July 10, 1933, Article 1: 'The inviolable basis of the German Evangelical Church is the evangelism of Jesus Christ, as testified in the holy scriptures and revealed anew in the professions of the reformation.'"

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CALL TO YOUTH

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REICHSBANK RETURN

Large Expansion Of Credit

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.
The Reichsbank return dated December 31, published yesterday, shows an increase in the gold stock of 0.1 to 82.5 million Reichsmarks and foreign currency reserves unchanged at 5.2 million Reichsmarks, marking a total increase in the note cover of 0.1 to 87.7 million Reichsmarks. The note circulation increased 1952 to 4,285.2 million Reichsmarks.

The amount of credit issued, as measured by bills, cheques, advances and investments, increased by 639.5 to 5,299.6 million Reichsmarks, this sudden large expansion of credit being required by the annual settlement and the special demands of the Christmas and New Year trade.

The Reichsbank return for December 1934 showed the credit issued to be 496.1 million Reichsmarks, the greater credit requirements of 1935 being accounted for by the greater volume of trade going on, consequent upon the general economic recovery. The total circulation of legal tender of all kinds, including coins, increased by 400,000,000 Reichsmarks by comparison with those of 1934, the total amount of legal tender reaching 4,285.2 million Reichsmarks. — Trans-Ocean Service.



The father of Sop Hoel Venizelos, above, the former Greek rebel leader, is reported to have made his peace with King George II, to whom he has expressed cordial New Year greetings.

NEW REGIME IN GREECE

Venizelos Buries The Hatchet

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Athens, To-day.
That the hatchet has definitely been buried between the King of Greece and his former arch-foe, M. Venizelos, appears to be shown by the fact that the latter has requested the Foreign Minister to convey to the King his best wishes for the New Year.

In his message M. Venizelos expresses the hope that under the rule of George II the "regime of crowned democracy" may become as firmly established as under the rule of George I. In this manner the national unity, which has been badly shaken during the past 20 years, may be restored, and the country thus become eternally indebted to the King.—Trans-Ocean Service.

LUTHANSIA HONOURED

Special Issue Of Stamps

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.
On the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the foundation of the Deutsche Lufthansa, the great German air transport company, the German post office will issue on Monday next a limited edition of new 40 pfennig stamps bearing a picture of a modern aeroplane, as well as an inscription referring to the anniversary. The stamps may also be used for mail to foreign countries. — Trans-Ocean Service.



Whitcomb, arrested at Bremer, charged with leading a rebel movement of a religious nature, allegedly headed by Lutz Meier, left, have been indicted by the American Government. The police also report the conviction of numerous teachers for their teaching of Governmental Socialism. Arrested in the Bremer School of Education, the teacher-student who had for some time been charged with the right.

NEW EDUCATION IN RUSSIA

Starvation Salaries For Teachers

ILLITERACY AMONG OFFICIALS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Moscow, To-day.

Revealing disclosures concerning the starvation salaries paid by the Soviet State to the professors of the Moscow pedagogical institute were contained in yesterday's issue of the newspaper *Komsomolskaya Pravda*, which states that the monthly salaries of the teaching staff vary between 48 and 175 paper roubles, or roughly between £2 and £7, only one professor getting as much as 247 roubles.

The paper stresses that in these conditions teachers are naturally compelled to accept any other work which may be offered in order to eke out their existence. The purchasing power of the above-mentioned salaries may be gauged by the fact that a pound of meat costs five roubles.

Another highlight on the efficiency of the Soviet school system is afforded by an editorial in yesterday's semi-official *Izvestia*, which deals with the campaign waged against illiteracy in Soviet Russia and states that many Soviet authorities lack the most elementary knowledge, and that official documents are often drafted in completely deficient spelling. — Trans-Ocean Service.

NAVAL PARLEYS

To Be Continued On Monday

London, To-day.

The Naval Conference, which was adjourned over the Christmas holidays, will be resumed on Monday afternoon when the election of a President in succession to Sir Samuel Hoare may be considered. The First Committee will continue their examination of the various proposals advanced by the different delegations. Delegates will attend the official Government dinner on Thursday evening.—British Wireless Service.

RECORD NUMBER OF VISITORS TO ART EXHIBITION

London, To-day. — Visitors to the Chinese Art Exhibition to the end of December numbered nearly 106,000. The record attendance for any one day was on January 2, when about 7,000 people visited the exhibition. — Reuter.



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The tony turn-of-mind of Mexican politics has turned momentarily to favour Adolfo de la Huerta, former President of Mexico, who spent many years of exile teaching education to Hollywood actors. Hundreds turned out at the railroad station to welcome the famous exile.

LADIES INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM INCOMPLETE

Mrs. M. White Unable To Make Trip North

Mrs. M. White, the selected ladies' interport hockey centre-forward, is unable to travel to Shanghai owing to unavoidable circumstances. In view of this unexpected setback Miss P. Gittins, the reserve forward, will be brought into the side, although her position in the forward line has not yet definitely been decided. Another reserve forward will now be selected, probably at tomorrow's interport practice at King's Park.

AIR MAIL LOST IN CRASH

Particulars Issued In London

London, To-day.

The Postmaster-General announces that part of the air mail posted for conveyance by the England, India, Malaya, Australia air mail of December 28 was included in the mails carried by the City of Khartoum.

According to present information the missing letter-air mail consists of correspondence for Egypt, Palestine, Iraq, India, Siam, Malaya, Australia, etc., posted in London before noon on December 27, and in the provinces generally by December 26. It is feared that all the air parcels for Egypt, India and Ceylon may be involved.—Reuter.

BODIES RECOVERED
Alexandria. — Divers went their way through to the cabin of the City of Khartoum and recovered the bodies of Mrs. Horsman, Miss Eckford, the Italian Tartagliore, the steward and another unidentified man. It is thought likely that it will prove impossible to raise the wreck, as the hawsers of the tug's crane which are being used have already broken twice.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

REICHSBANK QUOTATIONS

Berlin, To-day. — Reichsbank quotations (without guarantee) yesterday were: New York 40.25; Paris 608.5; Amsterdam 98.25; London 122.5. The Paris "Bourse" quotation was 745.40, and the dollar 15.1275-15.1325. — Trans-Ocean Service.

BIMETALLISM PROPOSALS

Between Pan-American States

New York, To-day.

The current discussions with Mexico constitute the first of a series of conferences whereby the United States hopes to establish a bimetallic monetary standard between the pan-American countries, according to the *Journal of Commerce*.

The proposed use of silver and gold jointly is believed to have been motivated by the United States' desire to regain its lost trade in South America and to expand the United States commerce with this continent.—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR IMPROVES

"Spot" Silver Falls

The local dollar has advanced

% opening on demand this morning at 1/3 1/2d. "Spot" silver was quoted at 21 1/2, as compared with 22 1/2. The London on New York cross-rate was steady at \$-US\$4.92%, as compared with \$-US\$4.92%, while the New York on London cross-rate was unchanged at \$-US\$4.92%.

Government Appointments

The following appointments etc. are notified in the *Government Gazette*:
The Hon. Sir Wilfrid Thomas Southern, K.B.E., C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, to be Chairman of the Licensing Board for a period of three years, with effect from December 31.
Mr. William Elliott, M.R.S., to be Deputy Clerk of Councils, with effect from January 1.
Mr. Henry Robert Butler to be Deputy Clerk of Councils, with effect from January 1.
Mr. Thomas Robert Whyte, to be Land Officer, with effect from January 1.
Mr. John Bernard Preston to be

ALLEGED MURDER OF PRISONERS

"FREQUENT BARBAROUS ATROCITIES"

ITALY'S HAND MAY BE FORCED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Rome, To-day.

The whole Italian nation is filled with indignation at the "frequent barbarous atrocities" alleged to have been perpetrated on Italian prisoners by Abyssinians, it was stated yesterday in authoritative quarters here, where it is pointed out that Italy will be compelled to resort to the severest reprisals, in the course of which "the most modern weapons of chemical warfare will perhaps be employed."

Exception is also taken to the recent reports in the foreign press on the Abyssinian campaign, which are described as exaggerated or completely false. It is denied emphatically that the Italian troops in the territory of Shire burnt Coptic churches, as well as that the Galla had been court-martialled and shot.

Notwithstanding all reports to the contrary, the Italian losses of planes are stated to be only four, including one shot down by the Abyssinians on Thursday near Mekele. The other two having been brought down by the enemy but found to be undamaged.

In contrast to the semi-official hint as to the possibility of poison gas being employed shortly, the agitation to this effect which has been carried on by the press for the last day or two disappeared from all the Rome papers yesterday, as if at a word of command.

The Italian press again seems to have been taken completely by surprise at the storm of protest which this agitation raised in England and the United States, the public opinion being considered as all the more inopportune in the latter country, since a law making the policy of neutrality more severe has just been submitted to Congress.—Trans-Ocean Service.

WELLS BOMBED

Dessie, Nassebu reports state that Italian planes on the southern front bombed and raked with machine-gun fire the wells at Bule and Sasabaneh, 20 miles south of Daggabbur, killing five Abyssinians and 19 camels.—Reuter.

Mr. McReynolds said that the bill was satisfactory to the administration and was drafted after long conferences with the President and Department of State officials. Under the bill the embargoes which the President would be empowered to impose on the shipment of material used for war purposes would restrict the exports to all belligerents to ordinary peacetime quantities. Food and medical supplies would be specifically exempted.

Mr. McReynolds added that he would submit an amendment exempting American countries at war with non-American countries from the mandatory arms embargo. The bill also generally bans financial transactions with belligerent countries.

The measures are specifically aimed at enacting into law the President's policy that all trade with belligerents is at the trader's own risk.

Simultaneously Senator Pittman in the afternoon introduced a similar bill into the Senate, which, however, makes it obligatory for the President to embargo all exports to belligerents exceeding the peacetime quantities.

DEASTIC MEASURE

Washington, later. The third and most drastic neutrality bill introduced into the House of Representatives by Mr. Louis Ludlow (New Indiana), proposed to prohibit American exports or loans to any kind of belligerents upon the outbreak of war.

MAIL SCHEDULES

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Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon
Singapore-Australia

Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Office. All letters etc., must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE

From the first day of December 1935 charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 0.95 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

The Hong Kong Government Radio Telegraph Service announces that from next Monday charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 1.05 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

XLT Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Government Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from 14th December 1935 to 6th January 1936, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on ONE FOURTH of the ordinary rate and to other places on ONE THIRD of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words. Further particulars may be obtained on application to the Radio Office.

BROADCASTING RECEIVING LICENCES, 1935

All Existing Licences expire on 31st December, 1935.

New Licences for 1936 will be available at the Government Radio Office, P. & O. Building as from 1st January, 1936 and will be issued from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. against the receipt of a remittance of \$10.

Applications may be made—
(a) personally.
(b) by messenger.
(c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed cheque payable to Hong Kong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

In the case of renewal the old licence should be returned with the application.

INWARD MAILS

FROM EUROPE

Patroclus (via Sueb) Jan. 6
Chitral (via Sueb) Jan. 9

FROM SHANGHAI

General Pershing Jan. 3
Pres. Cleveland Jan. 6
Perseus Jan. 7
Talkhybus Jan. 7
Taivo Maru Jan. 7
Carthage Jan. 10
Pres. Jefferson Jan. 10

FROM AUSTRALIA

Neilore Jan. 4

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Arabia Maru (Imperial Ser- Jan.
Santhia (Imperial Service) 4
Closes: Reg. 10 a.m. ord. 10.30 a.m.
Patroclus (via Siberia) Jan. 4
Asama Maru (via Siberia) Jan. 8

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Santhia Jan. 4
Bhutan Jan. 3
Perseus Jan. 8



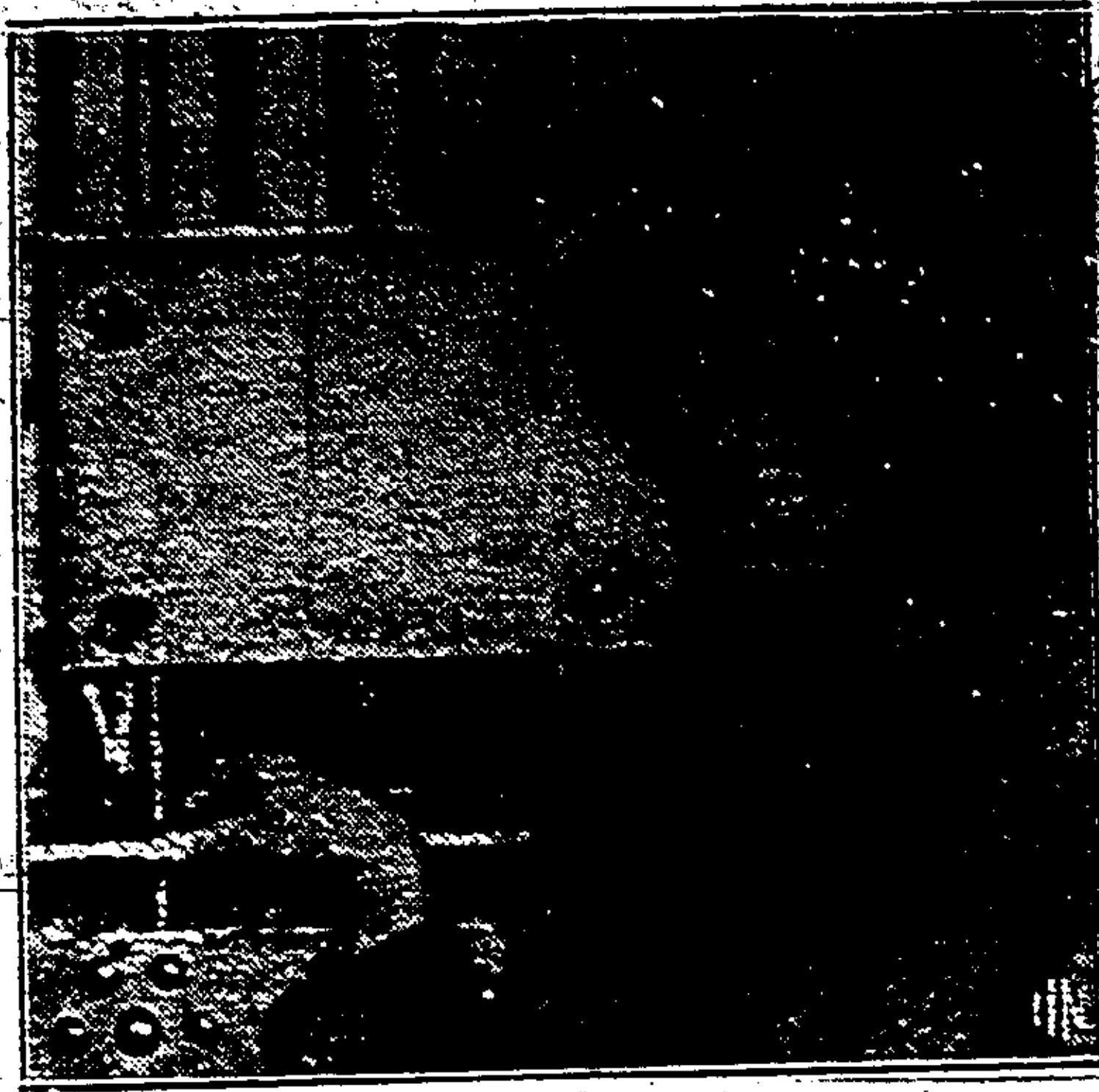
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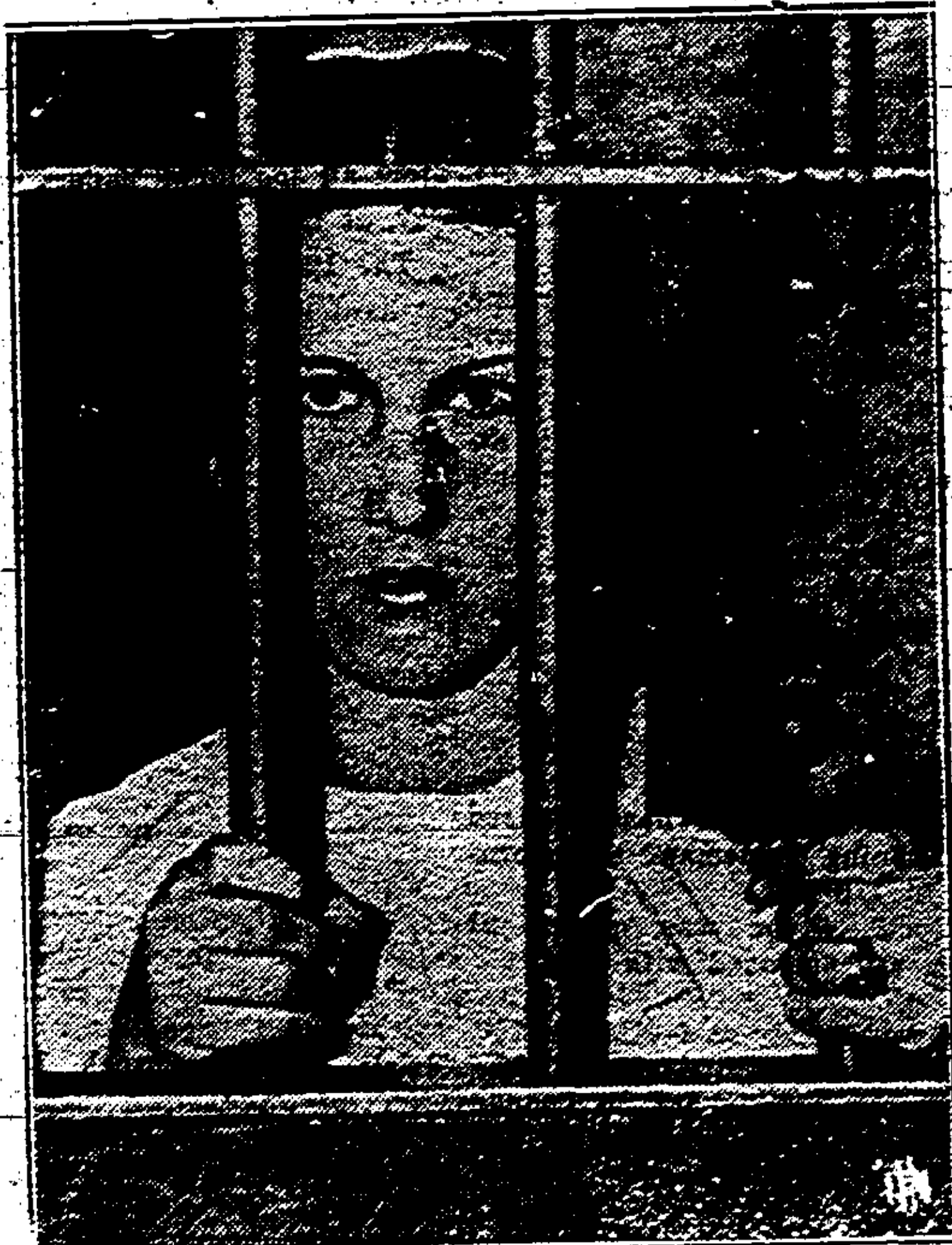


Women's organisations throughout the country are aiding the appeal of Edith Maxwell, the wife, Virginia, school teacher, sentenced to 25 years for the death of her father, whom she struck with a shoe when he attempted to beat her for staying out until midnight. A Hill-billy jury upheld the curfew law in finding her guilty of murder.



Jackie Coogan, now grown up and a millionaire, will wed Betty Grable, one of Hollywood's prettiest young film players, they have announced. Here they are shown "dancing cheek to cheek" at a recent party.

(Above)—Two of the four candidates in Cuba's forthcoming Presidential election are M. M. Gomez (top), nominee of the Coalition Party, and Carlos Manuel de la Cruz (bottom), the Liberal Party's standard bearer.



Her own uncle is her grandfather while Edith Maxwell, wife, Virginia, "curfew murder girl," awaits the decision of the judge on her appeal against the 25-year sentence given her for the death of her father during a row over her staying out late. Meanwhile women's organisations throughout America have come to her support in her fight for life.



The discovery of another body on the lonely shore of one of the Galapagos islands, on the equator off South America, revives the mystery of the veritable Eden established by a group of Europeans there. An American scientist recently came upon the decomposed body of a person believed to have been one of the colonists who joined Dr. Friedrich Ritter of Berlin on his ill-fated project. The skeleton may be that of either Alfred Lorenz or Robert Philipson, both of whom were Parisians and friends of Baroness Eloise de Wagner of Vienna, whose fate is also a mystery. Numerous searching parties have failed to solve the mystery of what happened to those of the colonists who were not struck down by death.



It is a good old President Roosevelt custom to spend Thanksgiving at Warm Springs, Georgia, and the "First Couple" did not disappoint the hundreds of young patients at the foundation this year, as this picture showing them at the head of the festive board witnesses.

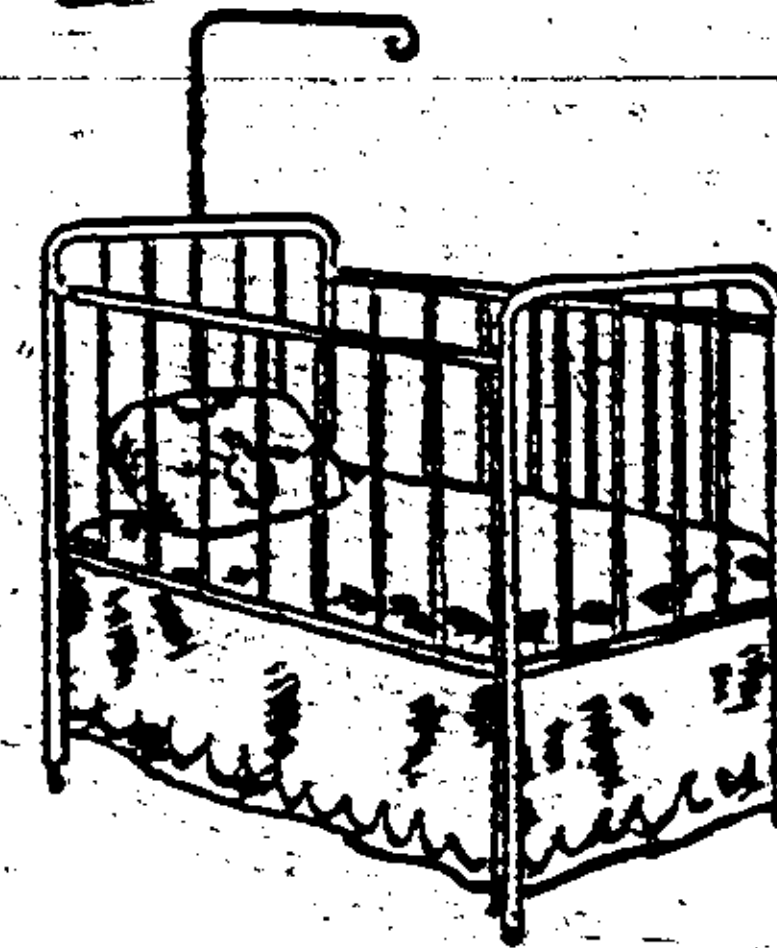


This photograph of Mary Swope Philipot and her estranged husband, found on the body of Leroy Smith, New City, New York, the murder victim, linked the dead Don Juan to Mrs. Philipot. She is now being questioned by the police.

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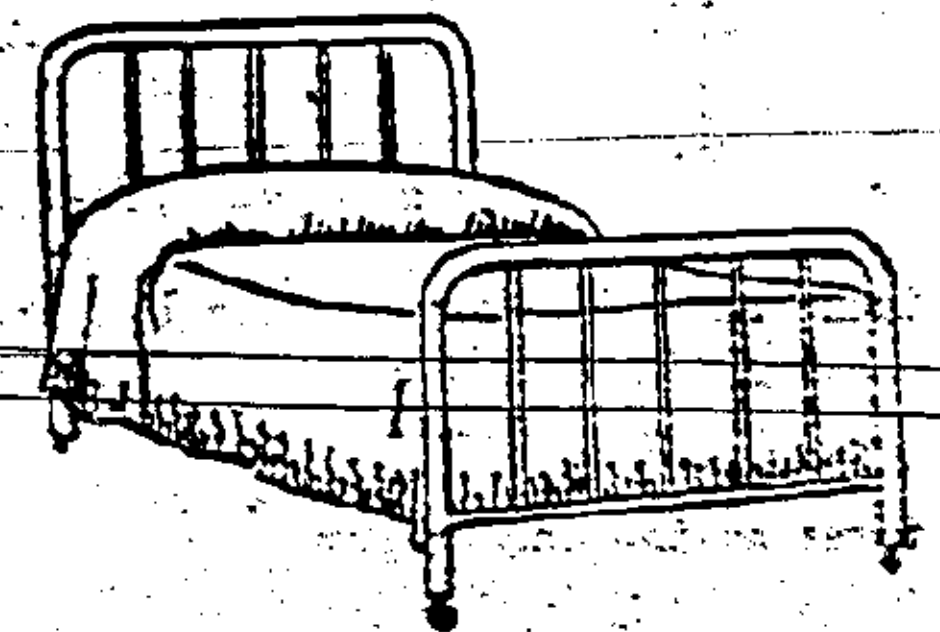
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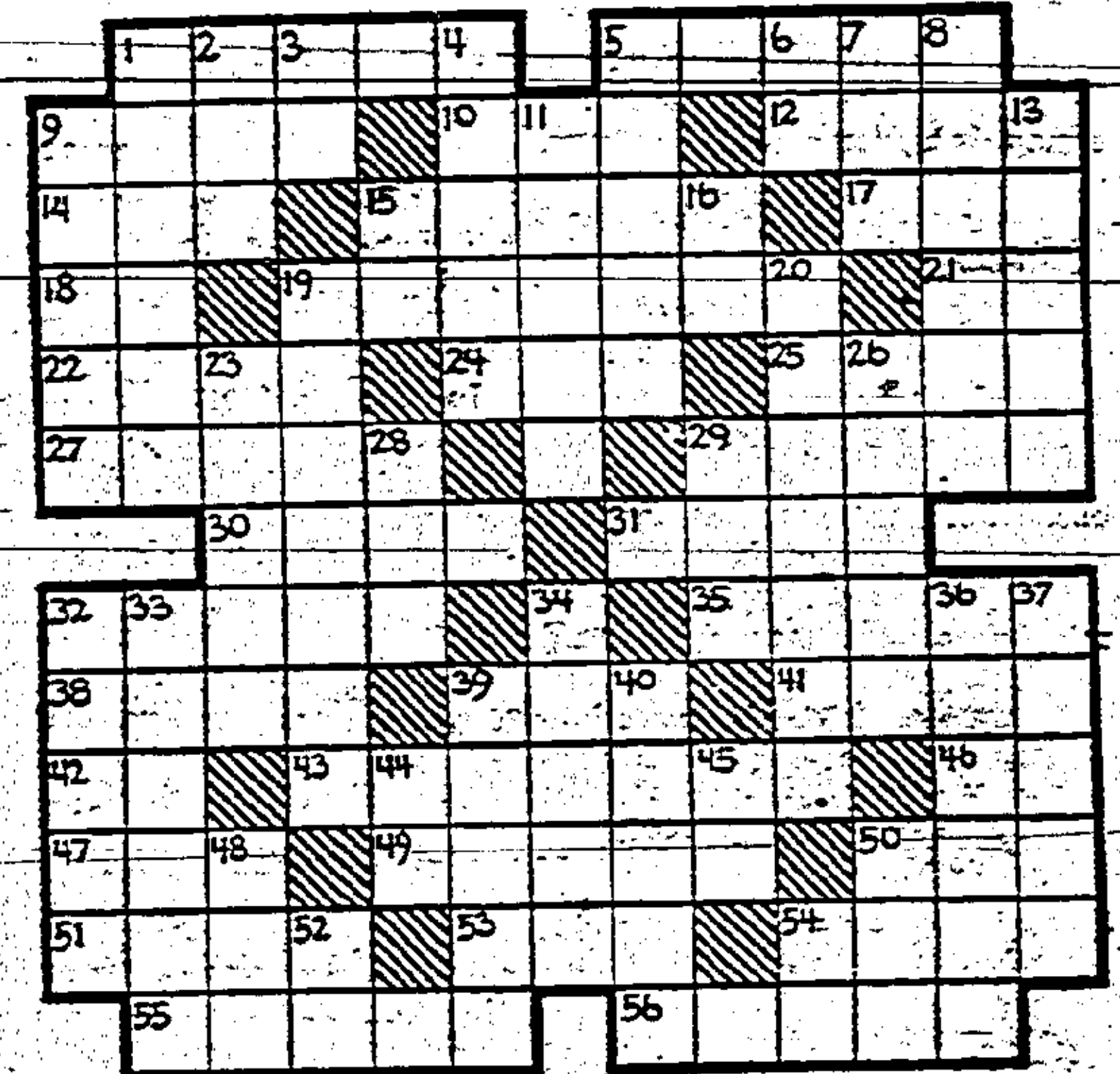
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Capture
5-Idol
9-A game
10-United States ship (abbr.)
12-Famous Italian lake
14-Sick
15-Bury
17-Skiff
18-Royal Navy (abbr.)
19-Time between periods
21-Near by
22-Occurs
24-Look
25-Island (poet)
27-Mistake
29-Turkish unit of money
30-Sliced raw cabbage
31-Greek letter
32-The ermine
35-Angle in a fort
38-Allowed for temporary use
39-Mineral spring
41-City of Nevada

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

42-Upon
43-Allures
44-Depart
45-United States ship (abbr.)
49-River in Lorraine and S. Prussia
50-The (Fr.)
51-Fastens
52-Golf mound
54-Opening in the skin
55-Hoard
56-Elmishes

VERTICAL

1-A counterfeiter
2-Entire
3-Preposition
4-Searches
5-River in S. E. France
6-Army Corps (abbr.)
7-A gazel of Tibet
8-To fence in
9-To analyze accord- ing to grammar
11-Horse
13-Fur-bearing animal

VERTICAL (Cont.)

15-Into
16-Synthetic State of United States (abbr.)
19-To place in a detached situation
20-A title (pl.)
23-Malicious burning of a house
26-A garden tool
27-A rodent
28-Combining form. Air
32-A vessel
33-A game
34-Steepie
35-Rites
37-Slip-knot
38-Admiral
40-A land measure (pl.)
44-Province of Canada (abbr.)
45-Electrical Engineer (abbr.)
48-Entomology (abbr.)
50-Portion
52-Very
54-Italian river

The solution of the above with a new cross-words puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

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MACAO HOLD H.K.S.R.A. IN HOCKEY CLASH

BRILLIANT DISPLAY BY AIROSA

10 VISITORS NEARLY BEAT BRIGADE

EXCELLENT DEBUT ON SAND

(By "Sticks")

PLAYING on a gravel pitch for the first time in their competitive hockey careers, the Macao Hockey Club's senior team gave a wonderful performance against the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, team on the Marina ground yesterday, a terrific struggle ending in a goalless draw, despite the fact the visitors were playing the majority of the second half with only 10 men as a result of one of their players being injured!

The outstanding feature of the game was the magnificent performance of the Macao defence and particularly the half-back line, which gave the finest display in the Colony with the exception of the Malayan half-back line which was to a large extent responsible for the Colony's defeat.

Airoso, the Macao centre-half, gave a display worthy of an international and was mainly responsible for many openings throughout the game. His positioning was nothing short of marvellous, and the whole game seemed to be centred round him. He was here, there and everywhere, and, try as they could, Tara Singh and his inside-forwards could not shake him off.

Praise must also go to Rosoria and Cardoso, the two full-backs, whose first-time clearances and neat stickwork, often relieved dangerous situations. But probably the second best performance of the day was that of Almada, the Macao custodian, who fully lived up to his reputation as the most daring custodian east of Singapore.

Perfect Understanding

The game was so full of incident that it is impossible to describe every phase of it in detail, but, above all, the passing and combination of the Macao forwards must be mentioned. Their understanding was perfect and, although Nolasco and Angelo, the right and left-wingers, have been in Hong Kong for some time studying, their inclusion in the attack by no means demoralised the line. They just carried on as in former years, and a perfect machine was the result.

Where the Gunners excelled over their opponents was in their approach work. Whereas Macao depended upon clever stick-work and cunning to carry them into the circle, sheer speed and a thrustful forward line, backed up by hard-hitting halves, featured the Gunners' methods.

Garthwaite and Khuda Bux made very little headway against the fast moving Macao defence, but Ravenhill, in the pivot position, was seen at his best.

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WOLF CUBS HOLD SPORTS MEET

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ful competitors and the "Peter Dalziel Shield" to the 2nd Hong Kong Pack.

Results follow:

The Results

1. Potato Race, Cubs under 10: 1. G. Rosset (Sea Scouts), 2. B. Tiddens (2nd H.K.), 3. N. Keralake (2nd Kowloon).
2. Inter-Pack Relay Race: 1. 2nd H.K., 2. 1st Kowloon, 3. 4th Kowloon.
3. Wheelbarrow Race: 1. 2. Egan and J. Turner (9th Kowloon), 2. L. Xavier and J. D'Aquino (2nd H.K.), 3. J. Wu and D. Mackenzie (12th Kowloon).
4. 80 Yards Flat Race: 1. D. Euckman (4th Kowloon), 2. R. Segurine (2nd H.K.), 3. B. Tiddens (2nd H.K.).
5. 100 Yards Flat Race: 1. G. Azevedo (2nd H.K.), 2. L. Xavier (2nd H.K.), 3. J. Lindsay (1st Kowloon).
6. Sack Race: 1. T. Bayot (2nd H.K.), 2. An She-sun (1st H.K.), 3. G. Rosset (Sea Scouts).
7. Three-legged Race: 1. B. Taylor and C. Pryday (1st Kowloon), 2. H. Silva and L. Xavier (2nd H.K.), 3. T. Williams and A. Oishi (Sea Scouts).
8. Obstacle Race: 1. J. Lindsay (1st Kowloon), 2. E. Rosset (Sea Scouts), 3. J. Tai (2nd H.K.).
9. Skipping: 1. G. Rosset (Sea Scouts), 2. J. Tai (2nd H.K.), 3. Wong Kai Cheung (1st H.K.).

FINAL STANDING

Champion Pack: 2nd Hong Kong, 24 points; Sea Scouts, 20 points; 1st Kowloon, 17 points.

MACAO HOCKEY CLUB TO MEET MAMAK CHAMPIONS TO-DAY

The Macao Hockey Club senior eleven will meet the Kowloon Indians Tennis Club, and not the Punjab Regiment, this afternoon on the U.S.R.C. ground at King's Park, commencing at 3 p.m., while their second eleven will encounter the Club de Recreio on the Marina ground at the same time.

MACAO JUNIORS

LOSE TO H.K.S.R.A. BY FOUR GOALS

Gunner Forwards Win The Day

FINE PORTUGUESE DEFENCE

A very fast hockey game between the second teams of the Macao Hockey Club and the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, was witnessed yesterday on the Marina ground, when the latter team won by four clear goals.

That the Macao team were not entirely at home on the sand pitch was evident throughout the game.

Lt. F. da Costa, the founder of the Macao Hockey Club, took part in the game.

Play in the first half was fairly even, being featured by a brilliant display at right-back by Rodrigues, who formerly played for the senior team. Hard hitting, combined with clever inter-ceptions and stickwork, was his outstanding asset; time and again he

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WILL S. CHINA "B" LOSE UNBEATEN RECORD TO NAVY

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Recreio's Task

In the other senior game the Fusiliers will be all out to reverse the result of their first meeting with the Recreio, and as the latter will not be able to field their best team the Welshmen should obtain both the points.

Kowloon, who caused the greatest surprise in the Shield series, when they beat the Fusiliers, will meet the Athletic.

The only game of note in the Second Division is that between the Fusiliers and the Engineers, which should produce some good football.

In the Third Division the clash between the European Police and the Fusiliers, present leaders of the Division, should be an even game. The Police have been strengthened by the reinstatement of several senior players, but the Fusiliers should win as they have the better combination and under-
standing.

TEST CAPTAINS DISAGREE

BUT UMPIRES COME TO DECISION

Rain Causes Delay In Third Test

Capetown, To-day.
Torrential rain delayed the start of the third Test match yesterday (second day) until 2.45 p.m. The Australian captain wanted to start at 2 o'clock, but the South African captain disagreed and said they could not be expected to bat on a sticky pitch which, if adequately covered, would have been as plumb as that for the Australian on the previous day. The umpires were called in and decided that the pitch would be playable by 2.45 p.m.

The Australians who had scored 362 for 8 the previous day did not continue their innings, but declared.

Balaskas was the most successful bowler, his figures being 38-1-126-4.

There were 2,000 people present when South Africa commenced to bat. It was fine and warm, but the wicket was sticky. There was no tea interval. South Africa scored 102. Nourse, 44 not out, being the only player to master the bowling. Grimmett's analysis was 17-4-32-5.

South Africa, who were 250 runs behind, were forced to follow on and played out time, scoring 11 runs without loss.

Australia: 362 for 8 declared (J. H. Fingleton 121, W. A. Brown 112; R. J. C. 1 for 30, A. B. C. Langston 1 for 94, Robertson 2 for 75, Balaskas 4 for 126). South Africa: 102 (A. D. Nourse 44, C. V. Grimmett 5 for 32, S. J. Fleetwood-Smith 2 for 21, S. J. McCabe 1 for 9, W. J. O'Reilly 1 for 24) and 11 for 0.

—Reuter.

CRICKET NEWS FROM NEAR AND FAR

NAIDU'S OBJECTIONS

MAJOR C. K. Naidu, the Indian Test captain has refused to play for the Indian XI in the unofficial Test against Australia.

Major Naidu stated that his refusal was due to the composition of the Indian side, which was not representative of Indian cricket.

Even though it was only an unofficial Test, for which purpose the Indian team was described as "the Yuvraj of Patiala's XI," Naidu said that the team ought to be the best India could put into the field.

ANOTHER McCABE

AUSTRALIA have a promising cricketer in R. McCabe, brother of the Test player. He hit up 216 not out in two hours when playing for the Cowra Club and broke the record of 210 made many years ago.

INDIANS FORCE DRAW

THE Australian touring team drew their two-day match with Maharashtra at Poona. In reply to the home team's 205, the Australians scored 349 for four, and declared. J. Ryder, the captain, made 101 not out. Left to score 144 to avoid defeat, the Indians played out time, losing one wicket for 42 runs.

HELP FOR VARSITIES

THE increasing decline in the number of amateurs playing county cricket is causing such concern that the Board of Control and the Advisory County Committee are considering the question of financially assisting the game at Oxford and Cambridge.

It is felt that as the two Universities form a stronghold of amateur cricket some financial aid should be given if it is required.

The Universities do not share in the profits of Test matches as do the M.C.C. and all the first-class and minor counties. The M.C.C., however, have made grants to both Universities, and in recent years the amount donated has been £500.

SMITH AND BARBER SHINE

DENIS Smith, the Derbyshire Test batsman, and his Yorkshire colleague, Wilfred Barber, figured in a brilliant opening partnership of 204 runs for the M.C.C. in their match against Queensland.

Smith, playing one of his best innings, scored the first century of the tour. Barber just failed by 9 runs to reach three figures.

Barber and Smith punished the bowling and scored at a good rate. In his total of 109 Smith had twelve 4s.

VITAL RUGBY ENCOUNTER FOR TO-DAY

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The Army have also been hard hit by injuries and leave. L. Cpl. Davies, the brilliant Fusilier centre, having left for home this morning by the Troopship Neutrality as a result of a fractured collar-bone, while Capt. Ap-Rhyss-Pryce, the Fusilier and Army forward, left on the same vessel on home leave.

Army Make Changes

As a result of these setbacks Lient. Withers, of the Gunners, who is a very fast centre three-quarter, is making his first appearance for the Army fifteen in support of Ives on the right, while Chaney has been brought into the pack to fill Ap-Rhyss-Pryce's vacancy.

Preceding the senior game, the Club "A" will meet a team from H. M. S. Kent.

Col. H. C. Harrison, D. S. O., will referee the Triangular Tournament game, while Dr. "Jake" Selby will officiate in the junior game.

Club 1st XV:—L. G. Robertson (Captain), H. E. McGilchrist, J. Entchison, H. C. Meeks, K. A. Munro; A. H. R. Butcher, J. L. Bommar; A. F. Walden, G. S. Chambers, J. H. McElroy, J. S. Dunnett, W. E. Peers, E. B. Gamell, E. P. Humphreys, M. S. Cumming.

Army:—C. Cpl. Price (R.W.F.), Bdr. Ives (R.A.), L. Withers (R.A.), L. Rice Evans (R.W.F. Captain), L. Cpl. L. C. Jones (R.W.F.), Pua Floyd (R.W.F.), L. Hamilton (R.E.), Bdr. Hall (R.A.), L. Hebert (R.A.), Cdr. Wright (R.A.), Spr. Collinson (R.E.), Pua Chaney (R.W.F.), Pua Morgan (R.W.F.), Capt. Gillespie (R.E.), L. Cpl. Harrison (R.E.).

Club "A" XV:—P. C. Frost; B. J. Gallagher, Rev. Mackenzie Dow, G. S. H. Griffiths, L. J. A. Fielden; G. S. Wilson, F. C. B. Black, W. B. Andrews, S. H. Garrod, E. D. G. Barlow, W. Stokes, J. E. Hawtlett, P. J. McGogan, R. Byrnes, A. D. Copping.

BUTTERFLY BREAST-STROKE AT BERLIN OLYMPIAD

In view of the decision of the International Federation-Bureau to permit the butterfly breast-stroke in the Olympic Games next year the A.S.A. have decided to suspend their ruling, declaring the stroke illegal for the purposes of Olympic trials next year.

The Soviet Government has imported an American, L. Macomber, to introduce golf into the country's sport realm. He is starting out with women as pupils. Miss Nina Pobedonosteva of Moscow is one of the first.



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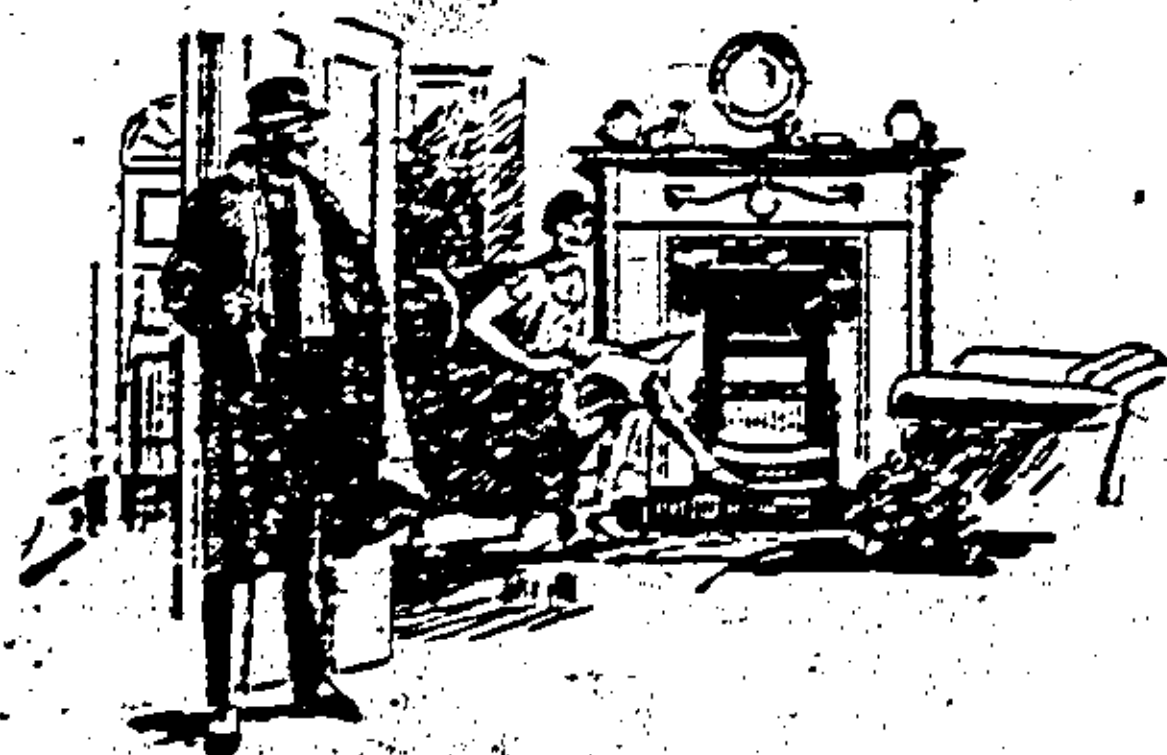
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A Grave Moment In World History

If the success of a Conference depended upon the degree of desirability that it should succeed we should have no anxiety as to the outcome of the London Naval Conference which was formally opened in London on December 10. Unfortunately the records of the Disarmament Conference and of the International Monetary Conference are of too recent date to permit of any facile optimism that what Mr. Baldwin called the calamity of a return to unrestricted naval competition must surely be averted. In order that it may be averted all the Powers represented will have to show themselves ready to "yield a little of their maximum demands for the sake of the general good." The British Government, the Prime Minister said, attach the utmost importance to a continuance of limitation in both the quantitative and the qualitative fields. They are anxious to see a reduction in size in all the larger types of ships and in the guns they carry. They will also press, as they have done consistently since the war, for the abolition of the submarine.

Japan and France have hitherto rejected that proposition on the ground that the submarine is primarily a defensive instrument and is indispensable to the lesser Naval Powers. Nor is there reason to suppose that they have changed or will change their point of view, though an ocean-going submarine has a far greater radius of offensive action than a battleship. What may, however, with some confidence be expected is that all Five Naval Powers will pledge themselves against unrestricted submarine warfare as it was practised by Germany in the Great War, though it was happily renounced by Germany in her recent Naval agreement with Britain. As regards quantitative reduction, the larger success of the Conference, it would seem, depends mainly upon the attitude finally adopted by Japan. Admiral Nagano stated in the first instance that his Government stood firmly by the principles of a "common upper limit to be fixed as low as possible." If that is uncompromisingly adhered to as a condition precedent, hopes of the larger agreement will rapidly diminish.

The United States will not accept the Japanese claim to equality in total tonnage, since it means a claim to an enormous accession of strength. Nor will it be accepted by Great Britain, whose Imperial interests are scattered all over the world, whereas Japan holds an impregnable position in her own Far Eastern waters, and her Empire is compact and invulnerable by sea. Japan's principle of "a common upper limit of armaments" may sound reasonable in the abstract, but the real point is that it is a proposal vastly to increase and not to reduce naval armaments. If security is the justification for armaments, Japan's advantages are immeasurably greater than those of the other Naval Powers. Mr. Roosevelt's proposal for an all-round total tonnage reduction of 20 per cent is no less certain to be rejected by Japan, whose foreign policy, it is impossible to forget, has for some years past been dictated by her Army and Navy Chiefs. The

EXPLANATION OF YESTERDAY'S CARTOON

THE GENIUS OF HUNGARY

JOSAI MOR (1825-1904) Hungarian patriot, statesman, novelist, poet and sculptor, is one of the most prolific writing geniuses of all time. For 56 years he wrote 80,000 words daily. He edited 4 newspapers at the same time and wrote 465 best-sellers. His novels are in a class by themselves. He was also a Member of the Hungarian Senate and a first-class orator. When he celebrated his golden anniversary as writer in 1898, 3,932 cities and towns of Hungary bestowed on him the freedom of their city. The Government published his collected works and every adult Hungarian bought 100 volumes. In his youth, he was condemned to death for revolutionary activities against Austria. An ingenious ruse on the part of his wife saved him from the hangman's noose.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, has signified his intention of being present at Madame Madalah Masson's recital on Tuesday next at the Helena May Institute and Sir Thomas and Lady South, under whose patronage Madame Masson will appear, will also be there.

A dinner dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel this evening. A special extra bus service has been arranged for the convenience of the patrons in addition to the ordinary time table.

The monthly dance at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home will be held on Wednesday next, January 8, beginning at 8.30 p.m. Tickets are now on sale at the usual price of \$1.

It is notified that trains leaving for Sheungshui to-day, which will enable the public to visit the New Territories Agricultural Show, will depart from Kowloon as follows: 8.45 a.m. 9.55 a.m. 12 noon, and 1.20 p.m.

The Police Branch of the Ministering League are holding a whist and mah jongg drive at the Police Recreation Club on Tuesday, January 14, beginning at 3 p.m.; admission \$1 each, which includes tea. Mah jongg players are asked to bring their own sets, racks, etc.

A fine of \$3 was imposed upon Lieut. E. O. Wanliss, of Kingsclere Hotel, Cameron Road, by Mr. E. L. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, for failing to have a red light on the rear of his private car No. 1452 at Sai Kung Road on December 10 at 7 p.m. H. J. Gutierrez, of No. 22 Granville Road, was summoned for a similar offence and was also fined \$3.

A Gazette notification states that the King's Exchequer empowering Monsieur Soulangue R. Tessier to act as French Consul at Hong Kong has received His Majesty's signature.

The number of emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of December was 7,560.

The "Hong Kong (Non-domiciled parties) Divorce Rules, 1936" are published in the Government Gazette for general information.

occasion calls on all the Naval Powers for common sense, for a bold application of the lessons of naval experience since 1900, and for a serious attempt to visualise the appalling and monstrous waste of money wrung out of hard-working taxpayers for expenditure on engines of war which are wise statesmanship will not dare to risk against others of seemingly equal power. It is a grave moment in the history of the

Here There and Everywhere

AN ECHO OF DOLLETS

The expulsion of Major Fey from the Austrian Cabinet was the sequel to the long-standing private feud between him and Prince Starhemberg.

Fey, who looks like a Prussian and is, indeed, of German origin, has a great war record. His reputation, however, has suffered ever since the murder of Dr. Dollfus.

He was with Dollfus when the Nazi assassins burst into the room. For several hours Vienna believed that he, too, was dead. He emerged from the Chancellery unscathed after negotiating with the murderers.

This unromantic escape helped to undermine his reputation for daring-do. It did more. It enabled his enemies to spread the rumour that his forte was keeping in with both sides.

AN ILLOGICAL POSITION

With the aid of these suspicious Prince Starhemberg has now been able to rid himself of his one rival as a military leader.

For the moment it is unlikely that Fey will even try to make trouble or that the Vienna Heimwehr regiments will rise on his behalf. But his day may come again.

The weakness of the present Austrian Government is that its existence depends on Italian support.

Your Daily Smile!

Professor (to class): "There's a young man in this class making a jackass of himself. When he is finished, I'll start."

Mother: "Oh, Freddie, I thought we had all agreed to economize, and here I find you eating bread with both jam and butter on it."

Freddie: "Why, of course, Mother; one slice of bread does for both."

A father and his little boy were having a discussion on legal matters.

"What is a retaining fee?" asked the little boy.

His father replied: "A retaining fee is a fee paid to a lawyer before he will undertake to do any work for a client."

"Oh!" replied the little boy, "like putting a shilling in the meter before you get any gas."

HORSE SENSE

"Dad, when has a fellow horse sense?"

"When he can say 'nay, son.'"

WHAT FRENCHMEN SEEK TO-DAY

PERIODIC CONTACTS BY EX-SERVICEMEN

AGREEMENT WITH GERMANY IN GENERAL SECURITY SYSTEM

(By Francois de Tessau)

Former French Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

WE hear periodically that

Franco-German relations are about to enter a new phase. Speeches are made, visits of prominent or official personages are announced in Paris and Berlin, and newspapers point out the possible evolution of relations between the Third Reich and the French Republic.

Special attention has been paid to this problem for some time. Gen. Goering, in an outburst at Saarbrücken on Nov. 2, turned to the French to say:

"Give up that extravagant idea that we are watching for the moment to spring at France. We learned to know each other in the great struggle between the peoples, and we esteem each other. There is no longer any need to try our strength in a passage of arms. We prefer to cease our rivalries in peaceful work."

Such words do not leave the Frenchman untouched. Everybody hopes that a regime of neighbourliness will be established. Everybody longs for a stable peace. Everybody, and particularly the ex-Servicemen, acknowledges German bravery, and would like to see it applied to Continental reconstruction.

Veterans Meet

There have been frequent contacts between French and German veterans. The first important one was Aug. 2, 1934, between M. Henri Pichot, president of the Veterans' Federal Union, and Herr Oberlindober, head of the National Socialist ex-Servicemen. There have been others since, the most recent a few weeks back.

On every occasion the veterans of the two countries have been at one in recalling a glorious brotherhood of arms, mutual esteem, and complete reconciliation. From a sentimental standpoint they have been in perfect harmony.

Politically, however, the question is more delicate. The German ex-soldiers are part of a totalitarian State. They had to support the official doctrine both in internal and external politics. Their watchword was to insist on bilateral agreements, and to be very cautious about the return of Germany to the League.

The great majority of French veterans, on the other hand, cannot conceive of any diplomacy not based on fidelity to the League, a system of general security and the establishment of a network of pacts with equal guarantees and responsibilities. They do not deny equality of rights to Germany, but they envisage their normal exercise in a Continental, and, if possible, universal organisation.

The Only Chance

In their eyes, Franco-German reconciliation has no chance of success save in the framework, at once vast and well-defined, of an international understanding.

This is the real reason why "direct conversations" between veterans have hitherto given no positive result; and the same with others. The two views are fundamentally opposed.

A very great number of Germans believe that France only wants to use the League to impose her hegemony on Europe, and to hinder the free development of the Reich.

"Europe is for France," the Berliner Boersen Zeitung recently remarked, "a great sphere of influence where her glory and power are displayed; her footstool."

When France says "Europe," she does not think of the swarm of States great and small, each wanting to live with the same dignity and rights, and which think themselves happier in living in friendship than in opposition. No, Europe is for France a means of carrying out French aims."

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



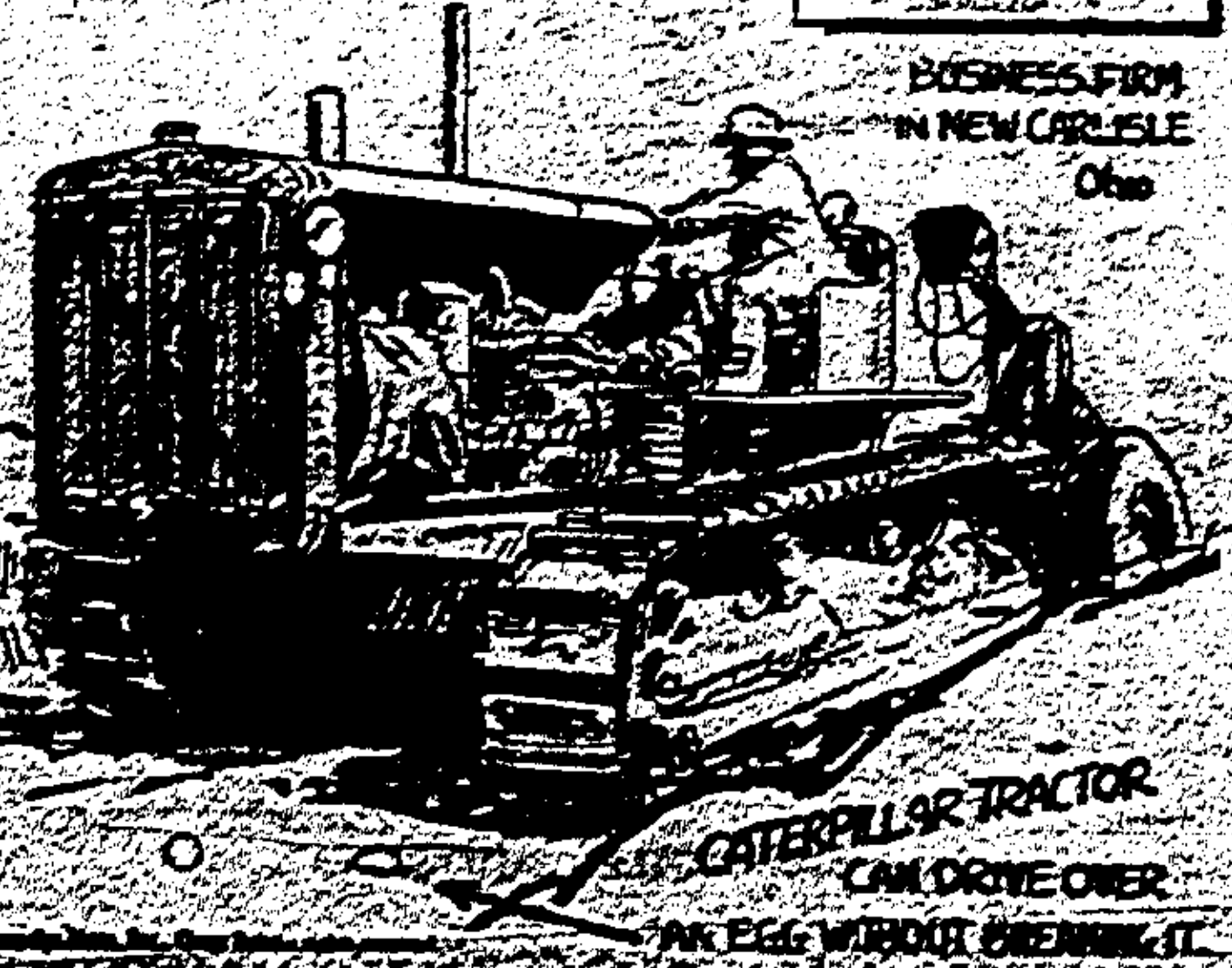
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MIXED DOUBLES BADMINTON

ST. JOHN'S BIG VICTORY

C.R.C. Nearly Fail To Saints

St. John's secured their first clean sweep victory in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night at Wanchai, when they defeated the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by nine sets to nil, while at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, the Chinese Recreation Club were nearly beaten by the St. Andrew's Club, who lost by only the odd set to nine.

At the Central Police Station, the Fire Brigade Recreation Club added another easy win to their long list by beating the Kowloon Tong Club by 7 sets to 2.

The fixture between the Recreation "A" and their juniors was postponed owing to the indisposition of some of their players. Detailed results were as follows:

C.R.C.'s Narrow Win

At St. Andrew's Church Hall last night, the Chinese Recreation Club beat the St. Andrew's Club by 5 sets to 4:

E. F. Fincher and Miss M. Churn (St. Andrew's)	2-1
lost to W. C. Choy and Miss W. Cheung	17-21
beat S. W. Liang and Mrs. Liang	21-7
beat H. T. Woo and Miss Ulian Khoo	24-21
H. Kew and Miss F. Wong (St. Andrew's)	2-21
lost to Choy and Cheung	5-21
beat Liang and Liang	21-4
lost to Woo and Khoo	10-21
R. H. Wynn and Miss E. Bliss (St. Andrew's)	2-21
lost to Choy and Cheung	2-21
beat Liang and Liang	21-2
lost to Woo and Khoo	6-21

St. John's Easy Win

At Wanchai last night, the St. John's Club beat the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 9 sets to nil:

G. A. Smith and Mrs. Biddle (St. John's)	21-0
beat W. Heath and Miss Doig	21-7
beat A. Edwards and Mrs. Lloyd-Jones	21-0
beat Mr. and Mrs. Sprague	21-0
F. H. Rook and Miss M. Smith (St. John's)	21-0
beat Heath and Doig	21-7
beat Edwards and Lloyd-Jones	21-0
beat Mr. and Mrs. Sprague	21-0
R. Koh and Miss McCaw (St. John's)	21-0
beat Heath and Doig	21-7
beat Edwards and Lloyd-Jones	21-0
beat Mr. and Mrs. Sprague	21-0

Kowloon Tong Defeated

At the Central Police Station last night, the Fire Brigade Recreation Club beat the Kowloon Tong Club by 7 sets to 2:

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. H. Shute (Fire Brigade)	21-0
beat S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie	21-11
beat P. Leung and Mrs. White	21-0
beat G. A. White and Miss M. Bryson	21-4
J. L. Anderson and Mrs. Wild (Fire Brigade)	3-21
lost to Gray and Mackenzie	3-21
lost to Leung and White	21-9
beat White and Bryson	21-9
A. L. Flett and Mrs. Kirkwood (Fire Brigade)	21-12
beat Gray and Mackenzie	21-12
beat Leung and White	21-6
beat White and Bryson	21-5

League Table To Date

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Fire Brigade	6	5	0	45	9	12
C.R.C.	6	5	1	35	19	10
Recreation "A"	4	4	0	35	1	9
Recreation "B"	5	3	2	32	13	6
St. Andrew's	6	3	3	24	30	6
St. John's	6	2	4	29	25	4
Tai Koo	6	1	5	12	42	2
S. and S. Home	5	0	5	1	44	0
Kowloon Tong	6	0	6	12	42	0

BURNING COBWEBS CAUSE FIRE

Culprits Watch Fighters With Enthusiasm

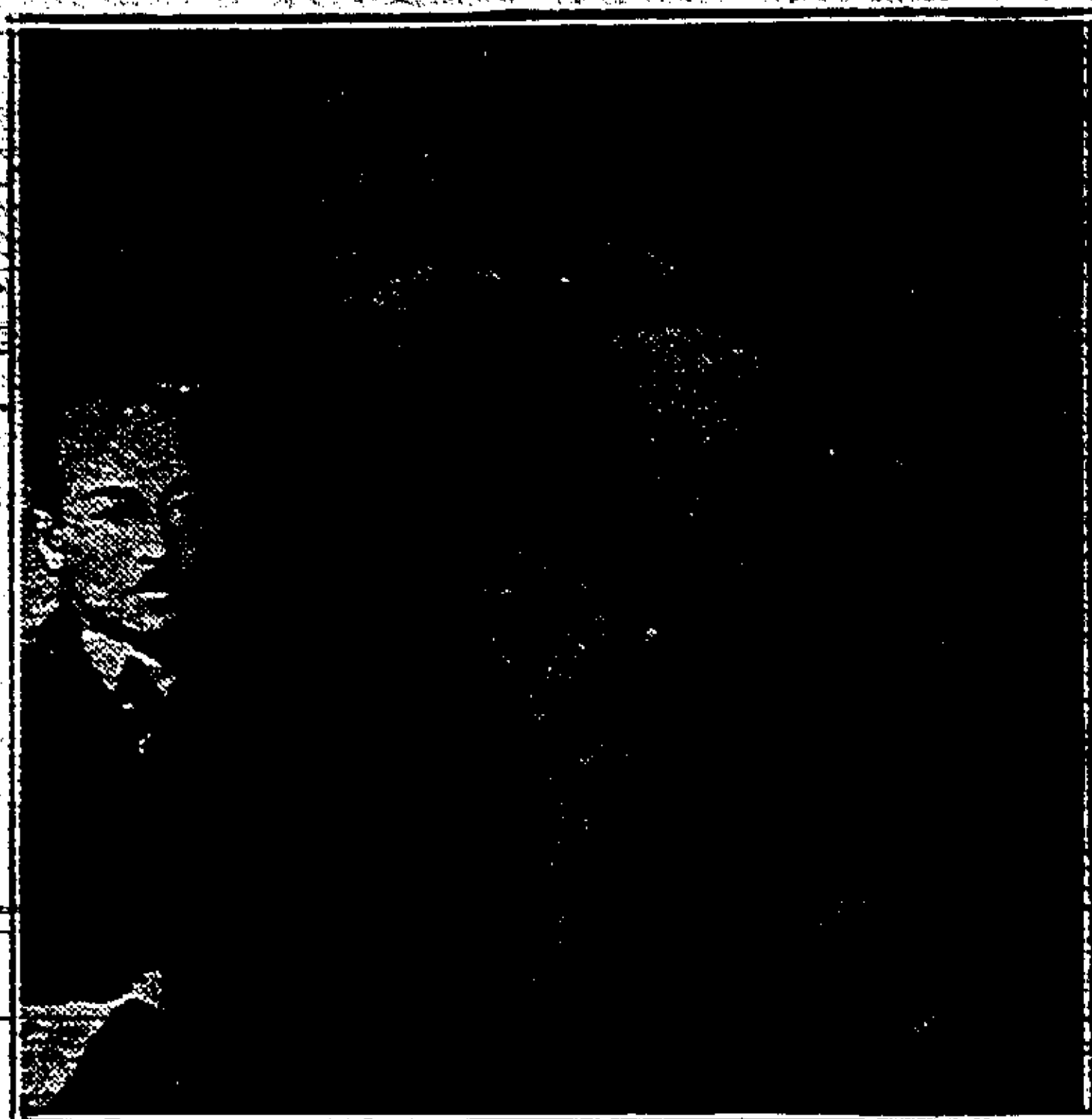
Prague—Fire Brigades from all the surrounding country—including three German brigades—from across the frontier—were summoned to put out a fire at Hasi Czechoslovak, Silesia, caused by children burning cobwebs in a barn.

One child absentmindedly threw a match on to some straw in the barn and soon flames were leaping in every direction.

A strong wind was blowing and the fire spread to neighbouring buildings.

Situation Saved
The whole village seemed in danger of destruction, but eventually the fire brigades which began arriving from all quarters managed to save the situation.

The children who had caused all the trouble escaped from the barn unharmful, and watched the efforts of the firemen with enthusiasm. Reuter.



Charged with instigating a campaign against Socialistic education in the State of Jalisco, 12 Catholic leaders, including four women, have been arrested in Mexico. Five of them are shown above. Standing, L. to R. Dr. Carlos Limon Lascurain, nephew of a former President of Mexico, and Jesus Flores Lopez, Senator, L. to R. Jose Serano Orozco, Selva Rodriguez Rocha and Josefine.

BRILLIANT DISPLAY BY AIROSA

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Several Spills

The game was not without its hard knocks, and both sides took a full measure, the slippery gravel surface resulting in several Macao spills and abrasions.

There was one unfortunate incident early in the second half, when H. Rosorio, the Macao inside-left, broke through only to have his feet hooked from under him, the ensuing fall resulting in an injury. The incident apparently passed unnoticed by the Umpire, although many spectators were aware of it. The injured player retired, leaving four Macao forwards to combat the powerful Brigade defence, but there were subsequent occasions when Ramalho almost broke through to score.

A Near Thing!

There were several thrilling incidents in the first half during which both goalkeepers were featured, Almada first coming into the limelight when he smothered an attempt to score amidst loud applause. Then Ramalho broke through, but he gave "sticks" with only the custodian to beat!

In the second half both lines missed "sitters," and in spite of playing 10 men, the Macao team enjoyed most of the play.

Macao: Almada; B. Rosorio and P. Cardoso; L. Costa, A. Airoso and P. Nolasco; F. Nolasco, T. Ramalho, P. Angelo, H. Rosorio and A. Angelo.

H.K.S.R.A.: Feroz Ali; Hazer Singh and Sahan Singh; Bachan Singh, Lieut. C. Arvindh and Naik Tara Singh; Gun. Khanda Bux, Lieut. C. C. Cartwright, Hav. Tara Singh, Naik Khanda Bux and Chajja Singh.

MACAO JUNIORS LOSE TO H.K.S.R.A. BY FOUR GOALS

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saved the Macao line when all seemed lost, while Santos, his partner, also played up to form, especially in the opening-half, when he frustrated innumerable openings with first-time clearances.

Fine Gunner Forwards

The honours of the game, however, go to the fast-moving Gunner forward line, which was backed up by a magnificent intermediate line. Where Macao felt the pinch was in weight, the bustling methods of the Gunners completely demoralising them in the second half, when their defence was pierced on three occasions.

Charan Singh, the Gunners' leader, was their most dangerous forward, always being on the spot to intercept a stray clearance, while Alam Shah, the inside-left, scored two good goals as a result of following up.

Macao came near to scoring on several occasions, but faulty passing when near the circle saw Metcalfe intercept and clear nine times out of ten. The latter was one of the outstanding defenders on display and, together with Sarahan Singh, was responsible for Macao not breaking through.

Opportunities Missed

The spectators were given an early thrill when Alam Shah missed a "sitter" in front of goal, and then play went to the other

CLUB WITHOUT BECK AGAINST C.C.C.

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side, however, is H. D. Ling, though he will do well to learn not to lose patience if runs do not come as often as may be desired.

The Friendlies

At King's Park the meeting of Kowloon Cricket Club and the Indian Recreation Club should produce some very bright cricket with honours about even. In the junior match between these two Clubs at Sookampoo, the visitors might just about force a win though this also ought to be a very even game.

The Army will meet the Civil Service at Happy Valley and should win, though I doubt whether the Army bowlers will find the Civil Service wicket to their liking, it being "pretty dead."

Selected Teams

Below are some of the selected teams:

H.K.C.C.: H. Owen-Burghes (Capt.), T. A. Pearce, G. S. Dunkley, I. McInnes, E. B. Dockitt, A. C. Growder, R. D. Gillespie, J. H. Davis, L. D. Kilbee, G. A. Stewart and G. E. R. Divett.

H.E.C.C. 2nd XI: A. K. Mackenzie (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, J. E. Potter, D. Carey, N. P. Fox, V. C. Bond, W. Wooding, W. K. Robinson, R. S. W. Paterson, C. E. Gahagan and I. S. Forbes.

The Army: Capt. L. J. Walsh (Capt.), Capt. D. W. Perse, Lieut. J. E. Johnson, Lieut. E. M. Dawson, Lieut. J. P. Williams, Lieut. D. M. C. Pritchard, C. S. M. Elvin, Sergt. Danell, Pte. Herbert, Cpl. Ballard and Pte. King.

Royal Navy 2nd XI: Lt. Comdr. Barry, Lt. Comdr. Garwood, Lt. Bone, Mr. Birckett, A. B. Dale, O. S. Dawe, P. O. Lamb, Chief E. R. A. Vickery, E. R. A. Cripps, S. B. A. Robinson and A. B. Hinde.

DEATH IN PRISON HOSPITAL

Verdict Of Natural Causes

After evidence had been given by Dr. G. H. Henry, Medical Officer in charge of Lai-chikok Prison, a verdict of death by natural causes was returned by the jury yesterday at an inquiry into the death of a Chinese male prisoner, Chan Shi-cheung, aged 55, who died in the prison hospital last Thursday of pulmonary tuberculosis.

The inquiry was conducted by Mr. K. Koen at the Kowloon Magistracy, assisted by a jury comprising Messrs. F. E. C. Fernandes (foreman), Tse Ming and M. A. dos Remedios.

and where a centre from the left was missed by the four other Macao forwards.

Just before the interval the Gunners opened the scoring through Sardar Singh, who netted from the edge of the circle, through a crowd of players. Charan Singh added the second with a very fine first-time effort off Ramus's centre in the second half and then Alam Shah broke through twice to end the scoring just on time.

H.K.S.R.A. 2nd XI: Sarwan Singh, Sarahan Singh and Lieut. N. W. Metcalfe; Yusuf Khan, Sardar Singh and Hinder Singh; Mian Khan; Alam Shah, Charan Singh, Kishan Singh and Lieut. P. de M. Ramus. Macao 2nd XI: Garment, F. Rodriguez and A. Santos; F. Ferreira, P. de Costa and M. Soares; Y. Rosario, A. Gonzalez, P. Angelo, A. Angelo and A. Almada.

To-day's Short Story

The Heart Being Perished

By Frances
M. Frost

THE farm lay on the top of the hill and while the grass meadows were level around the house and the barn, those fields which had to be ploughed slanted downhill toward hollows that rose immediately into other, and lower hills. His father said that if you went up and down the lower hills long enough, you'd get to the big river valley and to Manchester.

Eastward the higher hills rose in successive ridges above the farm and turned into mountains that loomed deep blue against the sunrise and grew softly and warmly massive in the summer dusk. When he was driving the cows to pasture or crossing the yard to the barn with a pail of garbage to be dumped into the pig-pen, he liked to look at the mountains. When his eyes rested on them, it was as if he had been away and had suddenly come home. It was like having a drink of spring water in the middle of a hot hayfield.

He was a good-looking boy, firm-fleshed and brown as an Indian, for he wore no shirt from spring until autumn, liking the feeling of sun and wind and rain on his skin. His mother died when he was ten. His elder brothers, all but Jim, went away and got farms of their own in York State; and when he was 18, Jim went, too.

The year he was 20, his father died of pneumonia, leaving him the farm, which was heavily mortgaged. He had had some schooling when the roads were passable, but he had never been beyond the village, which lay in a hollow five miles beyond the farm.

His nearest neighbour was Clint Hard, who lived two miles down the road. The day after his father's funeral, Clint drove up and brought him some doughnuts and pies that his wife had made.

"What you goin' to do now, John? Goin' to keep house by yourself?"

"There ain't nothing else to do, I guess—I can manage. Dad and I got along all right."

"You ought to get married, a young fellow like you."

"I got to pay off the mortgage on this place first."

"Then you'll be married when you're eighty," Clint said.

John said, "Well, I'll think about it. Tell Mrs. Hard thank you for the food, Clint."

"Come on down some Saturday night. We got us a new gramophone for Sally. There's some good records goes with it, too."

"Thanks," John said.

When Clint had gone, and he was going the milking, he thought about Sally Hard. A year later they were married.

The first inkling Sally had that she had married a poet as well as a farmer was the forenoon two weeks after the wedding, when he came to her with some star-flowers he had found in the wood.

"I can't give you a gramophone or nice things," he said, "because we've got the mortgage, but I can bring you wood things, if you like 'em."

She put a hand softly on his cheek. "I like wood things better, John."

"Here's a poem," he said. "It goes like this:

"Thou knowest how poor a trifling thing man is,
And learn'st thus much by our
Anatomy.
The heart being perished, no part
can be free."

MONDAY'S STORY

Monday's story will be "Over The Hill," by Michael Fessler.

"It means, we have to keep loving each other and be glad for everything we've got, even if it's not much. Because if the heart's dead, we're dead."

She was astonished. "Why, John, that's lovely! Did you make it up?"

He grinned, shamefacedly. "Well—"

"You did! I didn't know you wrote poetry! Do me some more!"

"I'll tell you another one tonight," he said, "after supper." He left her for the barn and took from a corner of the haymow a worn-out volume of English poetry. He had found it in the attic while he was cleaning it, before his marriage. It had occurred to him that since he could not offer Sally anything beside himself and a farm with a mortgage, he would give her something else—the most beautiful poetry he could find in the book. He had not expected that she would think he had written it, but he knew now that she loved him the more for it. It was cheating, but she would never know as long as he kept the book hidden. He memorised another lyric, sitting in the haymow, and said it over and over to himself all day as he worked in the fields.

In the evening they walked in the yard and looked at the mountains, and he recited in a low voice:

"The earth was green, the sky was blue,
I saw and heard one sunny morn.
A skylark sang between the two,
A kingbird sang above the corn.
The corn-field stretched a tender green,
To right and left beside my walks.
I knew he had a nest unseen,
Somewhere among the million stalks.
And as I passed to hear his song
While swift the sunny moments add,
Perhaps he sang an haunting long
And I recited longer than I did."
Her delight was better than food and drink to him.

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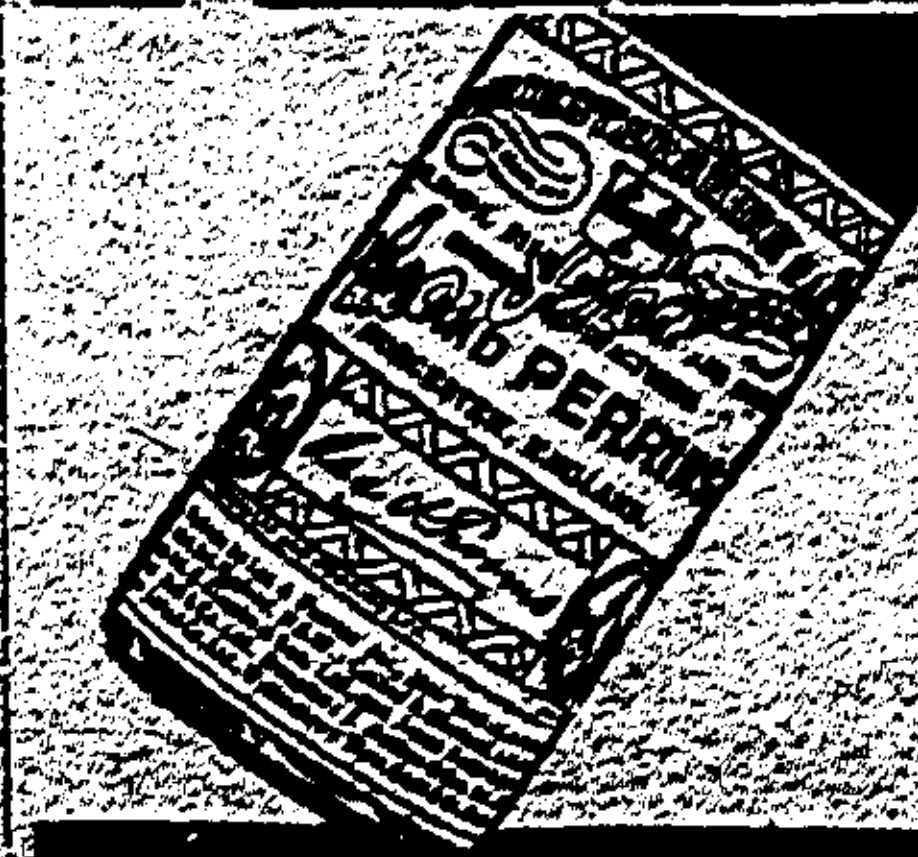
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ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut-Colonel R. B. L. Dowling, O.B.E. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Friday, 3rd January, 1936.

GENERAL

APPOINTMENT

Captain J. K. Bonfield, M.C. assumed Command of A.S.C. Cadre vice Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E., with effect from 1st January, 1936.

PARADE

Corps 1st Battery
 "A" Section will parade at Belcher's Fort on Thursday, 9th January, 1936 at 6 p.m.
 Dress—Overalls, Blue Cap and Gun Platform Shoes.

"L" Section will parade at Volunteer Headquarters every Friday at 5.30 p.m. until further orders.

Corps Engineers

Parade at Miniature Range Monday, 6th January 1936 at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, 9th January 1936—D. L. Training at Belcher's Fort. Parade at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (in conjunction with the Corps 1st Battery).

Corps Signals

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, 7th January, 1936 at 5.30 p.m. A full attendance is required.

M. G. Troop

Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Tuesday, 7th January, 1936 at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instruction.

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Tuesday, January, 1936 at 5.30 p.m.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company

Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Thursday, 9th January, 1936 at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Training—Stoppages.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company

The Company will parade on Monday, 6th January, 1936 at Volunteer Headquarters in Muffin Fall in at 5.30 p.m.

Corps Infantry

Parade on Tuesday, 7th January, 1936 at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Details as per Appendix.

Stonewallers Range—The Corps Infantry "A" Company will fire Part III Musketry at Stonewallers on Sunday, 5th January, 1936. Platoon Commanders will see that in the case of Recruits only those who have fired Part II may fire.

Range Officer—2nd Lieut. H. A. de B. Boteho.
 Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and Kowloon at 8.30 a.m.

APPENDIX

Categories—"A" Lewis Gun Lesson—Practice Test of Elementary Training, Test 1—5. Location—Headquarters.

"B" Lewis Gun—Recapitulate I.A. Stoppages—Headquarters.

"C" & "D" Foot & Arms Drill—Headquarters.

"B" Company

Class A—Lewis Gun (Ground Training). Stripping and Assembling—Headquarters.

Class B—Lewis Gun (Ground Training). Elementary Handling—Headquarters.

APPOINTMENT

No. 1718, Gunner A. H. Dinneen, Corps 1st Battery, is appointed Lance Bombardier in "A" Section with effect from 3rd January, 1936.

LEAVE

Lieut. J. A. R. Selby, Medical Section, returned from leave as from 28th December, 1935.

Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E. A.S.C. Cadre, granted leave as from 1st January 1936 to 15th October, 1936.

Lieut. D. M. Richards, M. G. Battalion Headquarters, granted leave as from 28th December, 1935 to 28th October, 1936.

No. 1384, 1st Sergt. J. Watson, Corps 1st Battery, granted leave as from 1st Jan. to 31st Dec.

No. 1768, 1st Sergt. E. L. Cherrill, Armoured Car Section, granted



A scene from "Alias Mary Dow," the Universal picture which will be shown at the Majestic Theatre soon.

SOUTH AFRICA'S AIR FORCE

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Provision of 250 additional warplanes of the latest type—Establishment of 3,000 mechanics (1,300 in the permanent force and the remainder on the reserve list); and Training of 1,000 pilots (about 150 permanent list and the remainder in the reserve).

leave as from 4.10.35 to 4.6.1936. No. 757, Pte. W. M. Groves, No. 1 (M.G.) Company, granted leave as from 23.11.35 to 23.8.1936.

TRANSFER

Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E., O.C. A.S.C. Cadre, is transferred to Reserve of Officers with effect from 1st January, 1936.

STRUCK OFF THE STRENGTH

Left The Colony. Gunner E. B. Brasier-Creagh, M.C. as from 16th November, 1935.

Having Completed Three Years' Service. No. 1756, Pte. A. E. C. Allemao, No. 11 Platoon, "A" Company, Corps Infantry, as from 5th November, 1935.

STRENGTH

No. 2525, Gunner, James Lee, 1st Battery, "L" Section, 27.12.35.

Captain, (Sdg.) R. C. B. ANDERSON, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

AFFILIATED UNITS. Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. LECTURE

The tenth lecture in Home Nursing will take place at P.V.D. Offices at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 6th January, 1936.

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(Sdg.) K. DURRAN, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

AFTER ORDERS "JUNIOR WING"

The following Officers and other ranks have been selected for the next Junior Wing Court which commences on Monday, 13th January, at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters and each Monday thereafter until the end of March, 1936.

Lieut. T. P. Sanderson.
 Lieut. J. R. Way.
 2/Lieut. H. A. de B. Boteho.
 2/Lieut. R. M. Wood.
 2/Lieut. L. B. Holmes.

Sergt. J. S. Fleck, Armoured Car Section.

Sergt. G. P. Ferguson, M. G. Troop.

Corpl. W. A. Mackinlay, M. G. Troop.

Trooper D. Black, M. G. Troop.

L/Sergt. S. V. Gittins, No. 3 (M.G.) Company.

L/Sergt. E. J. M. Churn, No. 3 (M.G.) Company.

Corpl. J. E. Potter, No. 1 (M.G.) Company.

L/Cpl. F. C. B. Black, No. 1 (M.G.) Company.

Pte. C. D'Almada, A. Castro, Corps Infantry.

Further names will be promulgated in next week's Orders.

R.S.M. T. Parkinson and C.S.M. R. E. Slattery have been appointed instructors to this course.

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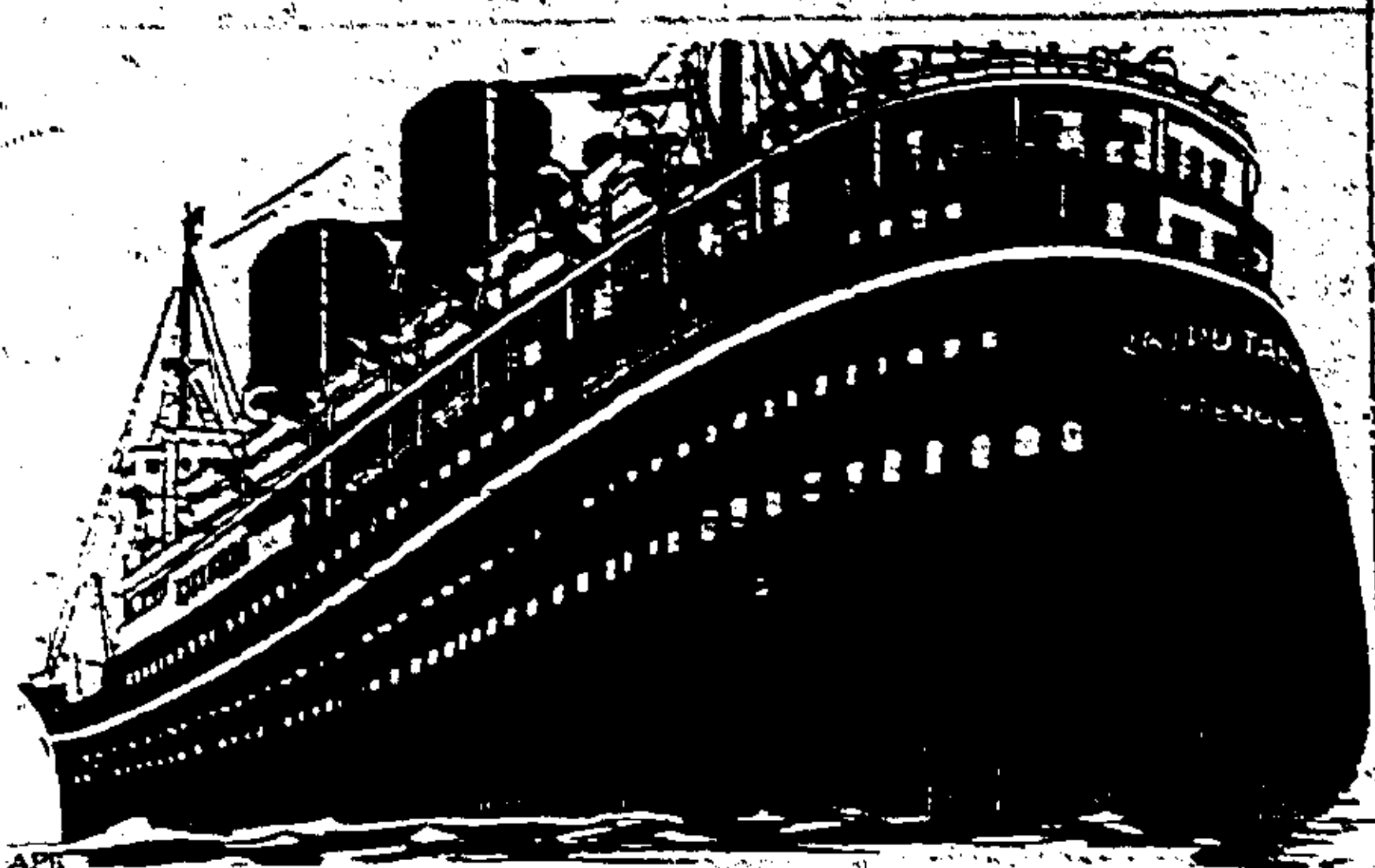
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2/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	June 1	June 1
2/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17	June 17
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2/Japan	June 26	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14	July 14
2/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 27	July 27
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Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain."

"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ." (Ex 20:7 and 1 Pet 4:11).

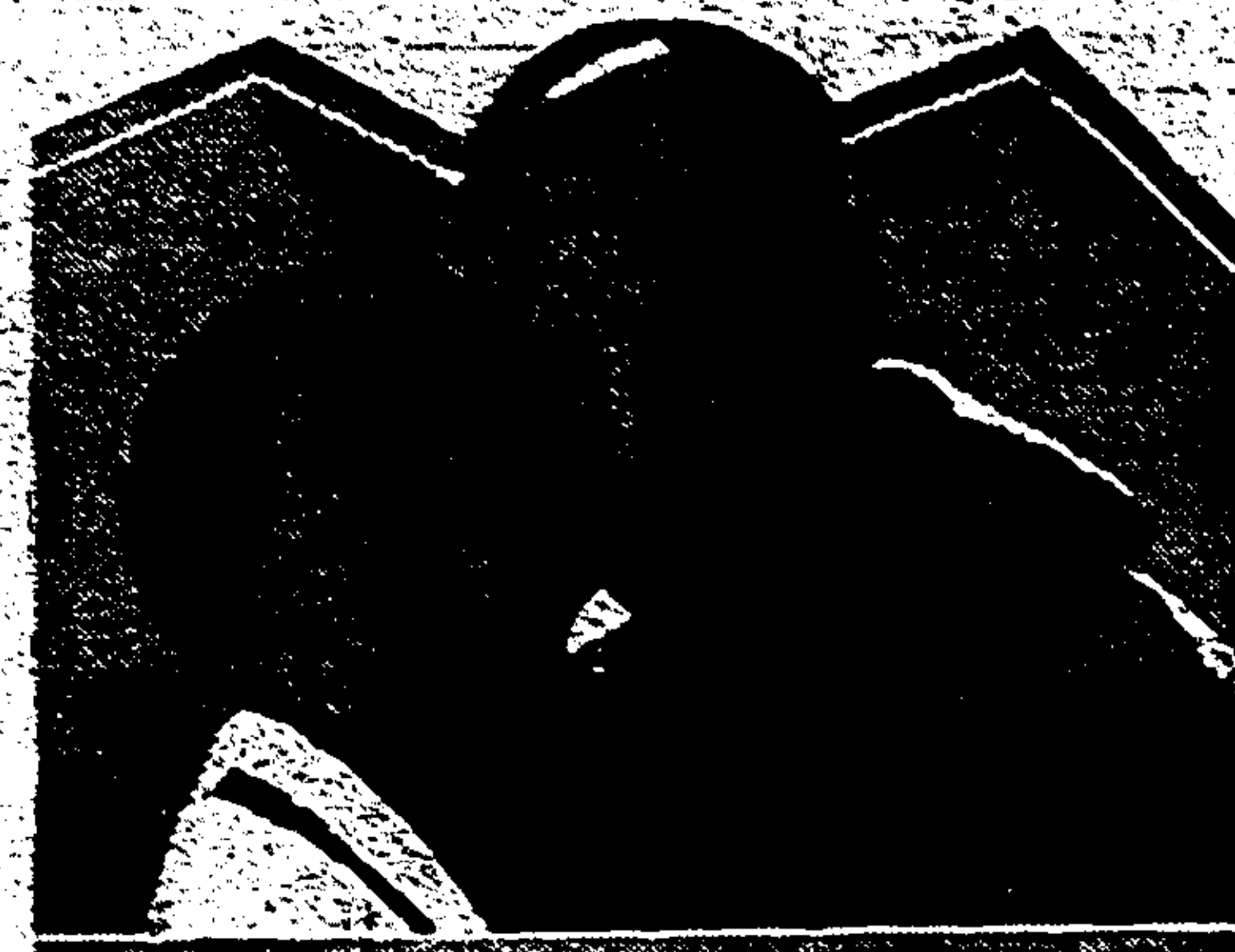
God's Thoughts

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:

"God's thoughts are perfect and eternal, are substance and Life. Material and temporal thoughts are human, involving error, and since God, Spirit, is the only cause, they lack a divine cause. The temporal and material are not then creations of Spirit. They are but counterfeits of the spiritual and eternal. Transitory thoughts are the antipodes of everlasting Truth, though (by the supposition of opposite qualities) error must also say, 'I am true.'"

"In a world of sin and sensuality hastening to a greater development of power, it is wise earnestly to consider whether it is the human mind or the divine Mind which is influencing one."

"Science only can explain the incredible good and evil elements now coming to the surface. Mor-



Mona Barrie and Jack Holt in "Storm Over the Andes," the Universal picture which will be coming soon to the King's Theatre.

The Heart Being Perished

(Continued from Page 9.)

After their son was born, he added new poems more slowly, but she liked to hear the old ones over and over, and each time she said, "That's lovely, John!"

The crops were poor the year Johanna was born. The debts dragged heavily on him: they scribbled and saved frantically to meet the taxes and the interest. On winter nights, when the babies were in bed, and Sally sat sewing by the stove, he would lean back in his chair and watch her, thinking that even the greatest English poetry was none too good for her. And she would look up and smile and say, "Tell me another poem, John."

"I haven't got a new one."

"Tell me the one about 'Love, let us be true'."

And he would say softly:

"Ah, love, let us be true."

To one another, for the world, which seems

To lie before us like a land of dreams,

So various, so beautiful, so new,

Hath really neither joy, nor love, nor light,

Nor certitude, nor peace, nor help for pain;

And we are here as on a darkling plain

Swept with confused alarms of struggle and flight,

Where ignorant armies clash by night."

The third baby died at birth, and Sally was very ill. A winter of doctor's bills was added to the long procession of debts.

As the years went by, slowly, painfully they reduced the mortgage.

When Bart finished high school he said to his father, "I want to go to college, Dad. I want to be an engineer. I'll work my way through."

"You don't want—the farm?"

The boy put his arm around John's shoulders. "I wish I did, Dad. But I don't. I'm sorry."

Johanna, a year later, said, "Dad, I want to teach school. I'll work my way through college, if you'll let me."

"What do you want to teach, baby?"

"English," said Johanna. "Poetry."

John smiled. "I guess your mother will like it."

When the children came home for Christmas the house was gay with ground-pine wreaths. John had cut a tree and he and Sally had trimmed it.

Sally said, "The children are as sweet as ever, John. Education hasn't spoiled them."

"Of course not. They're your children—why shouldn't they be sweet?"

On Christmas Eve Johanna said, "Mother, will you come upstairs a minute? I want to tell you something."

They went to Johanna's old room. From her bag she drew a little book.

"What's that?" Sally asked.

"I don't know whether I ought to do this or not," Johanna said slowly. "But I guess I'd better get it off my chest. Mother, you know the poems that Dad has been saying to you all these years?"

"Yes."

"They're all in this book!"

"What do you mean, Johanna?"

"I mean—Dad didn't write them. They were all written a long time ago by English poets. Look here—"

"O Wild West Wind, thou breathest of autumn's being. I remember he said that when I was about

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"That one," said Sally, "he said to me the winter the baby died."

"But, Mother, don't you see? He's been cheating! He's been telling you he did them!"

"No," said Sally huskily. "I told him he did them. He didn't say anything except the poetry, Johanna. I'll never let him know I know. It would break his heart."

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"They're ours to look at as long as we live," he said.

That week the weather turned raw suddenly and Sally caught cold. Her cough grew worse and John drove to the village for the doctor. "Pneumonia," the doctor said. "I'll stay here to-night, John."

She had a raging fever; John sat beside her, desperate and white, holding her hot fingers.

"John," she said in a choked whisper, "poem. New one."

He swallowed. He had told her over and over all the poems he had memorised:

"All right, darling. Slowly, with terrible effort, he put the words together; he made her a poem, his poem, the only one he had ever made in his life."

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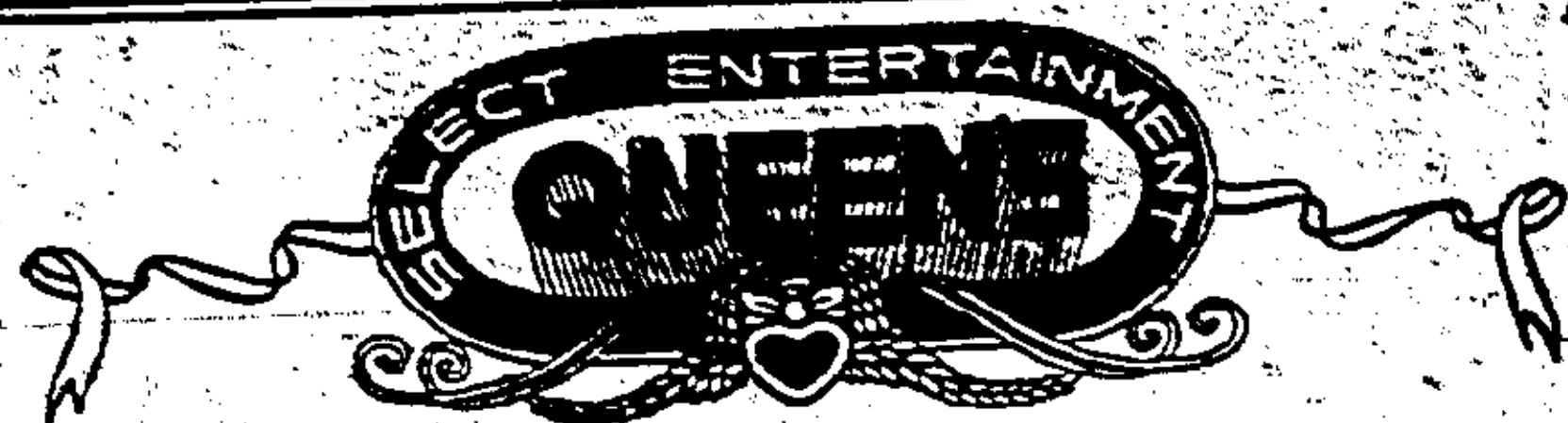
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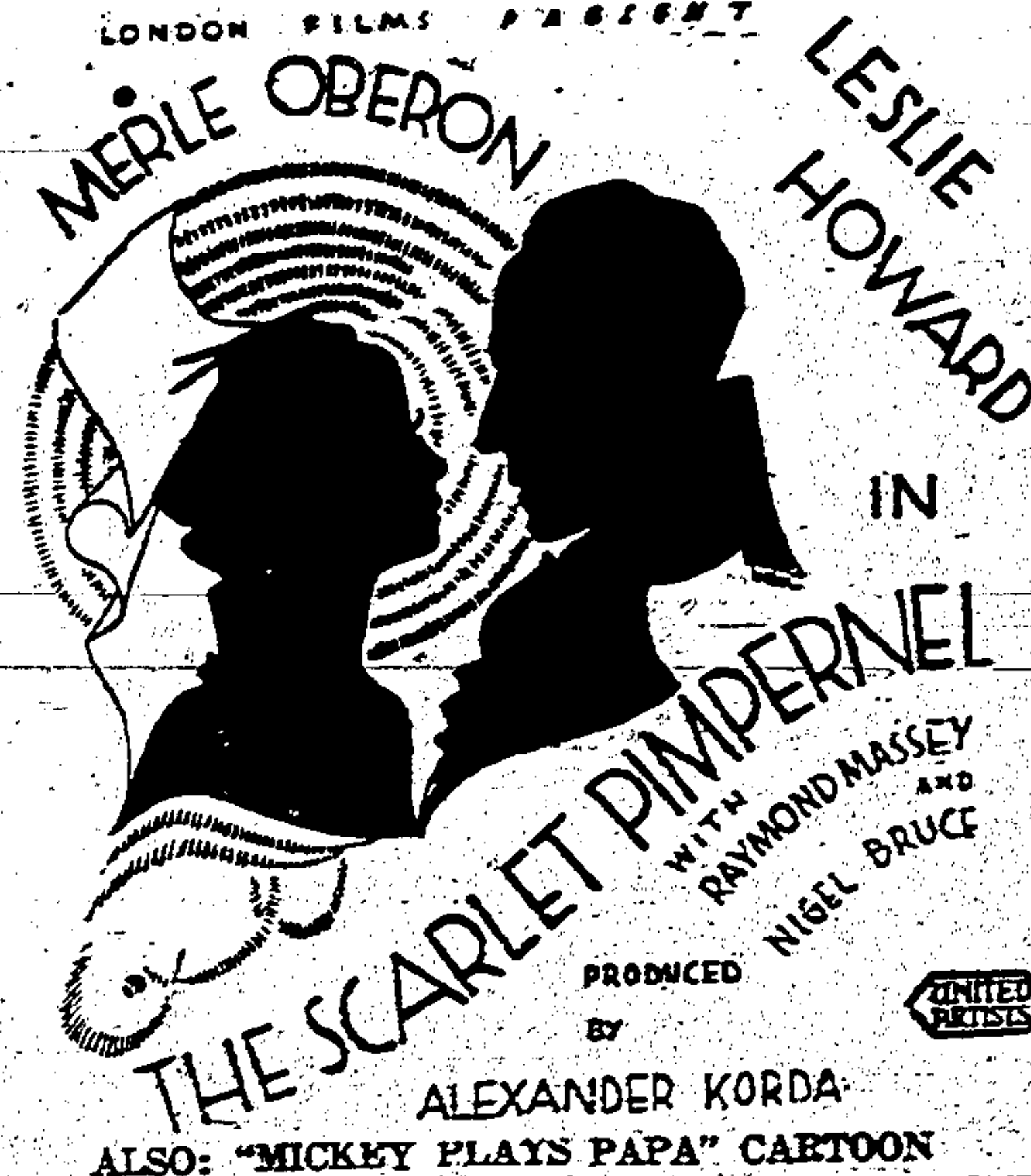
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CINEMA "PROPS"

Hollywood: War medals of every degree and from every nation, some purchased direct from the heroes who won them, others picked up in pawn shops and junk shops, form part of the "prop" reserves of one of the big studios here.

Their custodian, Mr. Tom Little, tells many pathetic stories about them, for in some cases he knows their history—how they came to their owners and what the price was in blood and suffering.

One Victoria Cross

There is one Victoria Cross among the collection.

"Their sale is prohibited," Mr. Little said, "but we always had trouble getting them, even before the ban. An Englishman would rather starve than sell that medal."

Glory is cheap here by the time it gravitates to the "prop" room. About U.S.\$120 is the average price paid for a genuine war medal. Mr. Little said in an interview: "Sometimes the boys go out and get whole bunches of them for even less," he added.

Last Things Sold
He pointed to a Croix de Guerre and a Distinguished Service Cross and said they belonged to a disabled American soldier. "He lost a leg getting one of them," Mr. Little recalled. "They were the last things he sold. A pawn shop got them."

Medals cast by the Imperial Russian Government are the most numerous in the collection. There are also German Iron Crosses and decorations from the Austrian, Rumanian and Belgian armies—Reuter.

"BOMBS" CAUSE PANIC

Scare For Dwellers In
Cyprus

Nicosia, Cyprus.
An aeroplane dropping "bombs" has caused panic in the main streets of Nicosia, the capital of Cyprus.

Alarmist rumours and the absence of any form of anti-aircraft defence had so worked upon the Cypriots' feelings that they fled in terror when an aeroplane, discharging black objects, came skimming over the rooftops.

When they ventured out again, however, they discovered the "bombs" were packets of leaflets advertising the 1936 model of a well-known motor-car!—Reuter.

ADOWA "SACRED" NAME

Strong Warning By
Rome Paper

Cocktail bars or articles such as new boot polishes must not be named after Adowa—or any other place associated in Italian minds with victories in Abyssinia.

This is laid down in a strong warning published by the Rome newspaper Tribuna.

It is also suggested—in contrast to past occasions—that the streets in new quarters of Rome should not be named after victories of Italian arms.

The attitude to this question is that the streets to be named after a certain place or individual should have some direct connection with them—Reuter.

BERLIN SHARE MARKET

No Definite Trend
Apparent

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.
The share market yesterday was quiet, with prices tending to crumble, no definite trend becoming apparent. Big changes were not noted. Fixed interest securities were also dull, without noticeable price changes. Call money was at 2 1/2% to 3 per cent.—Trans-Ocean Service.



Three youths were killed and many injured when Egyptian students rioted in protest against Great Britain's refusal to grant a new constitution to Egypt, whose powerful Wafd party have long agitated for complete autonomy. Although the Independence Day riots were checked, new outbreaks occurred.

MILITARY BAND FOR CANADA

Invitation To Royal
Artillery

TO PLAY AT EXHIBITION

London: The Royal Artillery Band, which provided the music for the Royal wedding and has played on several occasions at Buckingham Palace, has received an invitation from the Canadian Government to play at the Canadian Exhibition next year. It is understood that a band of about 40 musicians will be required. The visit will coincide with the retirement of Major E. C. Stretton, Director of Music, R.A.

Major Stretton is said to be the oldest service officer in the British Army.

Long Career
Born in 1871, he served 14 years as a ranker, 15 years as warrant officer and two years as warrant officer of the first class. He was appointed lieutenant and director of music in 1917, captain in 1925 and major in 1932. Before going to Woolwich, Major Stretton was at the Military School of Music, Eastney, and also bandmaster of the 1st Battalion of the Yorks and Lancs Regiment.

At one time he was a boy trumpeter.

He has been in charge of Royal Artillery band concerts for several years.

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Proximity To London
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London: Two thousand pounds a year is the rent paid for a room which is near a certain door of the London Stock Exchange.

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"A moderately-sized room in the City commands the astonishing rent of \$2,000 per annum, owing to its proximity to a certain door of the Stock Exchange," he said, giving an instance of high rents in the City of London.

"In this case, it was a matter of time saved; even a minute's precedence in the dispatch of a telephone message was of great monetary value"—Reuter.

COW CAUSES CAR CRASH

Five People Burnt
To Death

Eldorado.
A cow wandering in the road caused a collision in which five persons were killed and a car and a lorry completely destroyed by fire.

Rebounding out of control from striking the cow, a passenger car containing four people collided with a petrol lorry and both burst into flames. All four occupants of the car and the driver of the lorry were burned beyond recognition—Reuter.

BRITISH FILMS WIN PRIZES

Awards At Brussels
Festival

MANY MEDALS WON
IN ENGLAND

Brussels—British films are prominent in the award lists of the International Cinema Festival which has been conducted here.

"Seventy-two films were submitted to the jury and nearly all the British films have won prizes," M. Moldawsky, Secretary of the Festival, told Reuter. "The jury of film critics was astonished at the excellence of the British entries in the documentary class."

"Song of Ceylon," the G.P.O. film directed by John Grierson in conjunction with Basil Wright, has been awarded the Prix du Gouvernement Belge as the best production in all documentary films.

"Escape Me Never"

Paul Czinner's "Escape Me Never" has been awarded the coveted Prix de la Ville de Bruxelles for scenario films.

Alexander Korda's "Sanders of the River" has received a "grande Medaille d'Honneur" for the best photographic work presented. Both are British studio productions.

Len Lyt's "Colour Box," another G.P.O. film, was given the "Medaille d'Honneur" in the fantasy category.

In the scientific category, the British film "Sea Urchins" won the chief award, the Prix de l'Atherton.

Two other British films "Amoeba" and "Blowfly" received medals of honour.

Medals of Honour
Medals of honour were also awarded to the British productions "Face of Great Britain," "Coal Face," and "The Voice of Great Britain," in the documentary class.

The organisers of the Festival have announced that a similar meeting will be held here next year.

For a fortnight a selection of the best films of the world have been showing to full houses in the little cinema in the Albertine building of the Brussels International Exhibition—Reuter.

ORIGIN OF FISH STORIES

New Museum For
Paris

Paris.—Fishermen's stories through the ages will be illustrated in a new museum which is being opened at Arles and devoted to the art of fishing.

The museum will tell the story of fishing from earliest times. The exhibits will show that methods of fishing have not changed to any great extent for over 2,000 years.

The net, creel, snare, eel basket and lobster pot were all used by the Greeks who once occupied Arles, and hence they read are the same as those of to-day.

Books and manuscripts on fishing will form part of the collection—Reuter.

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